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## BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH, 2026

**SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELCOME AND GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. THIS IS A SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE BUDGET HEARING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2026. PLEASE NOTE THAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND BARGER WILL BE ABSENT FROM OUR MEETING TODAY. WE TAKE NOTE THAT A QUORUM IS PRESENT AND OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. WE WILL NOW START THE COUNTY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

**SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]:** THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RECOGNIZES THAT WE OCCUPY LAND ORIGINALLY AND STILL INHABITED AND CARED FOR BY THE TONGVA, TATAVIAM, SERRANO, KIZH AND CHUMASH PEOPLES. WE HONOR AND PAY RESPECT TO THEIR ELDERS AND DESCENDANTS, PAST, PRESENT, AND EMERGING, AS THEY CONTINUE THEIR STEWARDSHIP OF THESE LANDS AND WATERS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT SETTLER COLONIZATION RESULTED IN LAND SEIZURE, DISEASE, SUBJUGATION, SLAVERY, RELOCATION, BROKEN PROMISES, GENOCIDE, AND MULTI-GENERATIONAL TRAUMA. THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT DEMONSTRATES OUR RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMITMENT TO TRUTH, HEALING, AND RECONCILIATION, AND TO ELEVATING THE STORIES, CULTURE, AND COMMUNITY OF THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE AND WORK ON THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO



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1 GROWING AND SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND  
2 LOCAL TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER.  
3 FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELINO TONGVA  
4 INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, GABRIELENO/TONGVA SAN  
5 GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELENO BAND OF MISSION  
6 INDIANS - KIZH NATION, YUHA AVIATAM OF SAN MANUEL NATION, SAN  
7 FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, COASTAL BAND OF CHUMASH  
8 NATION, GABRIELINO/TONGVA NATION, GABRIELINO TONGVA TRIBE. TO  
9 LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FIRST PEOPLES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY,  
10 PLEASE VISIT THE LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN  
11 INDIAN COMMISSION WEBSITE AT [LANAIC.LACOUNTY.GOV](http://LANAIC.LACOUNTY.GOV).

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE  
14 PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT AT THIS TIME.

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16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER [AUDIO RECORDING]:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY  
17 I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES  
18 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF  
19 CONDUCT WILL NOW BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH  
20 IT TO ENSURE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING.  
21 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN  
22 TODAY'S BOARD HEARING AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH  
23 PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE  
24 BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC  
25 COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE



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1 BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING  
2 RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR  
3 TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO  
4 THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS  
5 LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD.  
6 PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A  
7 DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF. PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL  
8 OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING  
9 PROFANE, PERSONAL, THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR  
10 OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF,  
11 STAFF, OR ANY OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE  
12 RESPECTFUL OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND  
13 BOARD MEMBERS, AND MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE  
14 DISRUPT THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON  
15 ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO  
16 BEING REMOVED FROM THE BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU  
17 WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
18 THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN  
19 THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER  
20 COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TODAY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND  
23 COLLEAGUES WILL BEGIN WITH THE REPORT BY THE INTERIM CHIEF  
24 EXECUTIVE OFFICER. THEN WE WILL HEAR FROM SUPERVISORS,  
25 FOLLOWED BY DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS, AND THEN WE WILL TAKE UP



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1 PUBLIC COMMENT. BUT BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE  
2 READ THE CALL AND INFORMATION AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES,  
3 PLEASE.

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5 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE  
6 PUBLIC. IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU MAY  
7 DO SO IN PERSON OR REMOTELY. TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, PLEASE  
8 VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.BOS.LACOUNTY.GOV](http://WWW.BOS.LACOUNTY.GOV). TO REGISTER AND  
9 JOIN THE MEETING, OR YOU MAY CALL 213-306-3065 AND USE THE  
10 ACCESS CODE 25319145618 AND THE MEETING PASSWORD 2672026. YOU  
11 WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AFTER THE  
12 BUDGET PRESENTATION AND YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE MINUTE FOR PUBLIC  
13 COMMENT. WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, IF REGISTERED ON A  
14 COMPUTER OR DEVICE, YOU WILL HEAR A BEEP AND YOUR NAME WILL BE  
15 CALLED. OR IF JOINED BY TELEPHONE, YOU WILL HEAR YOUR LINE IS  
16 UNMUTED, YOUR AREA CODE AND THE FIRST 3 DIGITS OF YOUR PHONE  
17 NUMBER WILL BE CALLED. TO ENSURE WE HEAR FROM BOTH IN-PERSON  
18 AND REMOTE SPEAKERS, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TWO  
19 SPEAKING CUES. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE,  
20 WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE  
21 COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM AND STAFF WILL ASSIST  
22 YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO  
23 SO. ALSO, FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE, PLEASE NOTE  
24 THAT WE HAVE A CONSTITUENT ASSISTANCE TEAM THAT INCLUDES  
25 REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC



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1 SOCIAL SERVICES, CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, L.A. HOMELESS  
2 SERVICES AUTHORITY, AND PARKS AND RECREATION IN THE AUDIENCE  
3 SHOULD YOU NEED ASSISTANCE FROM THEM. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO  
4 ITEM 1, THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2026/27 RECOMMENDED BUDGET  
5 AND REVISIONS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY  
6 TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF  
7 YOU'RE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE. JOSEPH M.  
8 NICCHITTA INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER WHO IS JOINING US  
9 REMOTELY WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION.

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELCOME.

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13 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS AN  
14 OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO MAKE THEIR VOICES  
15 HEARD ON L.A. COUNTY'S 26/27 RECOMMENDED BUDGET. I WANT TO  
16 PRAY THAT DISCUSSION WITH A VERY BRIEF REVIEW TO MAXIMIZE THE  
17 TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT TODAY. IF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WANT  
18 TO SEE A MORE COMPLETE PRESENTATION, THEY CAN WATCH THE VIDEO  
19 FROM THE BOARD'S APRIL 14TH MEETING. THIS BUDGET IS FOCUSED ON  
20 PRESERVING CORE SAFETY NET SERVICES DESPITE THE COUNTY'S MANY  
21 FINANCIAL CHALLENGES. YOU HEARD ME DESCRIBE THIS MOMENT AS  
22 BEING IN THE EYE OF A HURRICANE. PART OF THAT HURRICANE HAS  
23 ALREADY HIT US. IN FISCAL YEAR 25/26, THE COUNTY CUT 8.5% OF  
24 ITS LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUE TO PAY FOR CHILDHOOD SEXUAL  
25 ASSAULT CLAIMS UNDER ASSEMBLY BILL 218 AND OUR INCREASING



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1 LABOR COSTS. WE CUT PARKS PROGRAMMING, WE CUT YOUTH JOB  
2 PROGRAMS, WE CLOSED PROBATION OFFICES, AND WE CUT MORE THAN  
3 1,100 BUDGETED POSITIONS. THOSE CUTS MADE IT POSSIBLE TO  
4 DELIVER A BALANCED RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 26/27  
5 THE BUDGET THAT DOES NOT RELY ON ADDITIONAL CUTS. I'LL TAKE  
6 THE NEXT SLIDE. SUPERVISORS. OKAY. THESE ARE THE BUDGET  
7 BASICS. I JUST WANT TO QUICKLY REVIEW THE NUMBERS. TOTAL  
8 RECOMMENDED COUNTY BUDGET FOR 26/27 IS \$48,800,000,000 AND  
9 INCLUDES 115,885 BUDGET POSITIONS. THIS IS A NET DROP OF 81  
10 POSITIONS AND IT'S DUE TO DEPARTMENTAL OPERATING CHANGES NOT  
11 CUTS AS I MENTIONED IN THE PRIOR SLIDE. MUCH OF THAT  
12 \$48,800,000,000 IS MADE UP OF STATE, FEDERAL, AND OTHER  
13 FUNDING THAT IS RESTRICTED FOR SPECIFIC USES AND CANNOT BE  
14 REPURPOSED. A SMALLER PORTION OF THE BUDGET IS MADE UP OF  
15 LOCALLY GENERATED FUNDING, INCLUDING PROPERTY TAXES AND  
16 GENERAL SALES TAXES, WHICH IS FLEXIBLE REVENUE AND CAN BE USED  
17 TO SUSTAIN OR GROW MANY DIFFERENT TYPES OF SERVICES. NEXT  
18 SLIDE, PLEASE. OKAY, LET'S LOOK AT THE FUNDING BREAKDOWN. THE  
19 LEFT SIDE OF THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE GROWTH IN OUR LOCAL  
20 REVENUES. AS THE BOARD KNOWS, PROPERTY TAX IS THE BREAD AND  
21 BUTTER OF LOCAL COUNTY REVENUE AND IS PROJECTED TO PROVIDE  
22 ABOUT \$315,000,000 IN NEW ONGOING REVENUE FOR THE COUNTY  
23 FISCAL YEAR 26/27. WE'RE SEEING SLOWER GROWTH IN PROPERTY  
24 TAXES THAN IN YEARS PAST, WHICH GIVES US LESS FLEXIBILITY IN  
25 BUDGETING. OUR ONGOING UNRESTRICTED LOCALLY GENERATED TOTAL



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1 REVENUE GROWTH OF \$334,000,000 REPRESENTS ONLY 7/10 OF 1% OF  
2 OUR TOTAL BUDGET. ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF THE SLIDE, YOU CAN  
3 SEE A BREAKDOWN OF BOTH ONGOING AND ONE-TIME FUNDING. AS SHOWN  
4 ON THE TABLE, AFTER WE ADJUST FOR THE NON-NEGOTIABLE  
5 COMMITMENTS AND OBLIGATIONS, THERE WAS JUST \$63,200,000 IN  
6 ONGOING DISCRETIONARY FUNDING AVAILABLE TO ALLOCATE IN THE  
7 RECOMMENDED BUDGET PHASE FOR NEW PROGRAMS AND SERVICES.  
8 SUPERVISORS, AS YOU KNOW, OVER \$40,000,000 OF THAT \$63,200,000  
9 IS RECOMMENDED TO ADDRESS CHANGES IN THE COST THERE FOR THE  
10 CALFRESH PROGRAM DRIVEN BY H.R.-1, LEAVING ONLY ABOUT  
11 \$20,000,000 FOR LOCAL PRIORITIES. THIS SLIDE ALSO SHOWS  
12 \$3,500,000,000 IN WHAT WE CALL FUND BALANCE. FUND BALANCE IS  
13 ESSENTIALLY MONEY THAT IS IN THE BUDGET FOR THIS FISCAL YEAR,  
14 25/26, AND THAT WE ESTIMATE WILL BE UNSPENT AND AVAILABLE TO  
15 REALLOCATE AT YEAR END. THIS YEAR, WE ESTIMATE THAT NEARLY  
16 \$2,900,000,000 WILL NEED TO BE CARRIED OVER TO SUPPORT  
17 COMMITMENTS ALREADY MADE. \$554,000,000 IS AVAILABLE FOR  
18 REALLOCATION FOR ONE-TIME USES AS PART OF THE RECOMMENDED  
19 BUDGET. UNFORTUNATELY, \$300,000,000 OF THAT \$554,000,000  
20 TOTAL, NEARLY 55%, IS NEEDED TO HELP COMPENSATE SURVIVORS OF  
21 CHILDHOOD SEXUAL ABUSE WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN SETTLEMENT  
22 AGREEMENTS, TOTALING NEARLY \$5,000,000,000 UNDER AB 218. I'LL  
23 TAKE THE NEXT SLIDE. EARLIER, I TALKED ABOUT BEING IN THE EYE  
24 OF A HURRICANE AND THE RELATIVE CALM THAT THE RECOMMENDED  
25 BUDGET REPRESENTS, BUT WE DO NEED TO BE PREPARING FOR IMPACT.



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1 I WANT TO REMIND THE PUBLIC THAT THE NEXT PART OF THE  
2 HURRICANE WILL HIT THIS COMING FISCAL YEAR. FEDERAL CHANGES TO  
3 MEDI-CAL AND CALFRESH ELIGIBILITY AND WORK REQUIREMENTS SET TO  
4 TAKE EFFECT THIS UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR WILL RESULT IN THE LOSS  
5 OF BENEFITS FOR MANY AMERICANS. AND SINCE THE PASSAGE OF H.R. -  
6 1 IN L.A COUNTY ALONE, MORE THAN 100,000 CALPERS BENEFICIARIES  
7 AND MORE THAN 200,000 MEDI-CAL BENEFICIARIES HAVE DROPPED OFF  
8 THE ROLES. AND THAT IS BEFORE THE CHANGES COMING IN JUNE. I  
9 ALSO MENTIONED THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET INCLUDES \$40,100,000 TO  
10 PRESERVE APPROXIMATELY \$194,000,000 IN ANNUAL FEDERAL AND  
11 STATE REVENUE AND PROTECT MORE THAN 1,000 DPSS JOBS WHICH  
12 SUPPORT THE 1,500,000 CHILDREN AND ADULTS WHO RECEIVE CALPERS  
13 BENEFITS IN L.A. COUNTY. CHANGES TO MEDICAID COMING IN JANUARY  
14 WILL PUT HOSPITALS AND CLINICS THAT RELY ON MEDICAID FUNDING  
15 TO PAY THEIR BILLS UNDER INTENSE PRESSURE. THAT'S NOT JUST  
16 PUBLIC HOSPITALS, IT'S THE WHOLE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM IN L.A.  
17 COUNTY AND ACROSS THE COUNTRY. OUR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
18 SERVICES PROJECTS AN ESTIMATED \$662,200,000 DECLINE IN  
19 REVENUE. THE DEPARTMENT PLANS TO DRAW DOWN ON RESERVES JUST TO  
20 MAINTAIN THE CURRENT LEVEL OF SERVICES. AND BEYOND HEALTHCARE,  
21 AB 218 LIABILITY CONTINUES TO WEIGH ON OUR BUDGET. DEBT  
22 OBLIGATIONS TO FINANCE THAT NEARLY \$5,000,000,000 LIABILITY  
23 ARE EXPECTED TO LAST AT LEAST THROUGH 2051. I'LL TAKE THE NEXT  
24 SLIDE. SO AS WE OPEN PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS, WE HAVE MORE THAN  
25 \$2,100,000,000 IN UNMET DEPARTMENT BUDGET REQUESTS. I WANT TO



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1 REMIND THE PUBLIC THAT THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET IS THE FIRST  
2 PHASE OF A THREE-PHASE BUDGET PROCESS. WE'LL RETURN TO YOUR  
3 BOARD ON JUNE 22ND FOR THE SECOND PHASE, WHICH WILL REFLECT  
4 THE STATE'S REVISED MAY BUDGET AND ANY OTHER CHANGES TO OUR  
5 FINANCIAL PICTURE. NEXT, AFTER WE CLOSE THE BOOKS ON THE PRIOR  
6 FISCAL YEAR IN AUGUST, THE THIRD BUDGET PHASE WILL BEGIN. WE  
7 WILL PROGRAM ANY ADDITIONAL STATE AND FEDERAL REVENUE AND  
8 AVAILABLE UNSPENT FUNDING AND PRESENT THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET  
9 TO THE BOARD ON SEPTEMBER 29TH. THROUGHOUT THIS THREE-PHASE  
10 PROCESS, WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE BOARD AND COUNTY  
11 DEPARTMENT HEADS TO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE TO INCREASE REVENUES,  
12 CUT CENTRALIZED COSTS OR REALITY FUNDING IN A WAY THAT MAKES  
13 ROOM TO ACCOMMODATE MORE OF THOSE UNMET NEEDS. WE WANT TO  
14 POSITION THE COUNTY TO WITHSTAND THE LOSSES AND LIABILITIES  
15 THAT LIE AHEAD WITHOUT SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGING THE SAFETY NET  
16 ON WHICH SO MANY RESIDENTS RELY AND I NEED TO EMPHASIZE THE  
17 SAFETY NET PRESERVING THE SAFETY NET IS OUR PRIORITY THIS  
18 BUDGET YEAR. I'LL TAKE THE FINAL SLIDE. I WANT TO THANK THE  
19 BOARD FOR THE ACCOMMODATION FOR PRESENTING REMOTELY TODAY. I  
20 DO HAVE MEMBERS OF MY TEAM THERE IN PERSON TO ASSIST WITH ANY  
21 QUESTIONS. WE HAVE JERAMY GRAY, ACTING CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER  
22 AND MASON MATTHEWS, CHIEF BUDGET OFFICER AND THEIR TEAMS  
23 SITTING THERE BEHIND THEM. SO WITH THAT, MADAM CHAIR, I'LL  
24 PASS IT BACK TO YOU.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND THANK YOU  
2 FOR THE BRIEFING. AS WE BEGIN TODAY'S DISCUSSION AND HEARING  
3 FROM OUR SUPERVISORS, THIS IS WHAT THE ORDER WILL BE. WE'LL  
4 START WITH SUPERVISOR HORVATH, THEN HAHN, AND THEN I WILL  
5 CONCLUDE. SO LET'S BEGIN SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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7 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO  
8 THANK OUR CEO FOR HIS BUDGET PRESENTATION AND THE ENTIRE  
9 OFFICE'S WORK ON THE BUDGET. I KNOW THAT IT TAKES A LOT TO  
10 MAKE IT COME TOGETHER, AND I WANT TO THANK MY STAFF AND ALL OF  
11 OUR STAFFS WHO WORK WITH THE CEO'S OFFICE TO GET US TO THIS  
12 STAGE OF THE BUDGETING. I ALSO WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE  
13 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE TAKING THE TIME TODAY TO MAKE  
14 THEIR VOICES HEARD AND ON BEHALF OF MANY MORE COMMUNITY  
15 MEMBERS I KNOW WHO COULD NOT BE HERE TODAY. I ENCOURAGE  
16 STAKEHOLDERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO CONTINUE TO SUBMIT  
17 WRITTEN BUDGETARY COMMENTS TO MY OFFICE AND TO OUR EXECUTIVE  
18 OFFICER UNTIL UNMET NEEDS DEADLINE, WHICH IS FRIDAY, MAY 15TH  
19 AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS. ALL OF YOUR COMMENTS WILL BE  
20 INCLUDED AND REVIEWED BY MY OFFICE. WE HAVE SEVERAL STAGES  
21 LEFT IN THE BUDGETING PROCESS, SO TODAY IS NOT YOUR LAST  
22 OPPORTUNITY, BUT ANY WRITTEN FEEDBACK IS REALLY APPRECIATED  
23 AND HELPS MY TEAM BEST PREPARE ME AS WE MOVE INTO FUTURE  
24 STAGES OF THE BUDGET. I KNOW WE HAVE FAR MORE NEED IN THE  
25 COUNTY THAN OUR REVENUES ALLOW FOR, WHICH IS HARD TO BELIEVE



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1 WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A BUDGET OF \$49,000,000,000. BUT IT  
2 IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO WORK COLLECTIVELY AND PRIORITIZE WHERE  
3 WE WANT TO SEE OUR BUDGET INVESTED AND TO FIND CREATIVE  
4 SOLUTIONS TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE. I'M ENCOURAGED TO HEAR OUR  
5 CEOS CONTINUING TO WORK WITH OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS BETWEEN NOW  
6 AND FINAL CHANGES TO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE IN THE SHORT TERM TO  
7 INCREASE REVENUE, TO CUT CENTRALIZED COSTS, AND TO REALLOCATE  
8 REVENUE. THIS WORK IS CRITICAL, AND ESPECIALLY IN THE FACE OF  
9 SIGNIFICANT BUDGET CHALLENGES, WE HAVE TO APPROACH OUR BUDGET  
10 THIS YEAR DIFFERENTLY THAN WE HAVE IN THE PAST. AND I WANT TO  
11 STRESS THAT THE WORK THAT THE CEO MENTIONED, FINDING  
12 EFFICIENCIES, CUTTING COSTS, AND FINDING ADDITIONAL REVENUE  
13 WILL BE CRITICAL TO OUR SUCCESS IN DEVELOPING A BUDGET THAT  
14 MEETS THOSE NEEDS. SO AS WE MOVE FORWARD, I HOPE WE CAN LOOK,  
15 A COUPLE OF THINGS I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT, THE NEED FOR THE  
16 GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE THAT HAVE BEEN HIGHLIGHTED, THE  
17 ETHICS FUNCTIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE TASK FORCE, WHICH ARE  
18 REQUIRED TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE END OF THIS YEAR, OUR  
19 WILDFIRE RECOVERY ONGOING PROCESSES, AND OF COURSE, LOOKING  
20 FOR ADDITIONAL EFFICIENCIES AND FUNDS WITHIN OUR HOMELESSNESS  
21 RESPONSE. TODAY IS REALLY ABOUT HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC, SO  
22 I'M GOING TO KEEP MY COMMENTS TO THAT. I REALLY LOOK FORWARD  
23 TO HEARING FROM ALL OF YOU AND THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE TODAY.

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SUPERVISOR HORVATH.



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1 SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR AND THANK YOU JOE  
4 WHEREVER YOU ARE. SOUND LIKE THE VOICE OF GOD THIS MORNING.  
5 THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION AND THANKS TO YOUR ENTIRE  
6 BUDGET TEAM AND THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING THROUGH INCREDIBLY  
7 DIFFICULT TIMES AND CHALLENGES AND PRESSURES TO GIVE US THIS  
8 BUDGET. AS YOU POINTED OUT, OVER \$2,000,000,000 IN  
9 DEPARTMENTAL REQUESTS ARE NOT BEING FUNDED IN THIS BUDGET. AND  
10 THAT'S AN AWFUL LOT OF NEEDS ACROSS OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS NOT  
11 BEING MET IN THIS PHASE. AND THAT IS VERY SOBERING. AND I WANT  
12 TO THANK THE DEPARTMENT HEADS FOR NEVERTHELESS MAKING THE ASKS  
13 BECAUSE I THINK THAT WAS IMPORTANT FOR THE PUBLIC TO KNOW ALL  
14 THE PUBLIC THAT TOUCH EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOUR DEPARTMENTS  
15 IN A DIFFERENT WAY, MUST KNOW THAT NO MATTER WHAT YOU ARE  
16 ADVOCATING FOR THESE RESOURCES BECAUSE IT'S ABOUT OUR PUBLIC  
17 THAT WE SERVE. HOWEVER, I DO, I'M TRYING TO REMAIN HOPEFUL AS  
18 WE MOVE FORWARD THAT WE CAN FIND ADDITIONAL FUNDING ESPECIALLY  
19 FOR OUR STAY HOUSED L.A., OUR RIGHT TO COUNSEL PROGRAMS, OUR  
20 ELDER NUTRITION PROGRAM AND OUR MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT  
21 SERVICES FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN OUR CUSTODY WHO ARE BATTLING  
22 ADDICTION. AND I KNOW OUR CHALLENGES WILL PERSIST, BUT IF  
23 THERE'S EVEN A SMALL IMPROVEMENT IN OUR FISCAL OUTLOOK IN THE  
24 COMING MONTHS, I WILL BE LOOKING FOR THAT IMPROVEMENT TO  
25 STRENGTHEN OUR SAFETY NET AND UPLIFT OUR MOST VULNERABLE



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1 RESIDENTS, WHICH JOE, YOU MENTIONED THAT. I WAS PLEASED TO  
2 HEAR YOU TALK ABOUT OUR SAFETY NET IN YOUR OPENING REMARKS.  
3 AND FINALLY, I TOO WANT TO JUST THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE  
4 PUBLIC WHO SIGNED UP TO SPEAK TODAY, WHETHER IN PERSON OR ON  
5 THE PHONE. TODAY'S MEETING IS REALLY ABOUT YOU, THE PEOPLE WHO  
6 LIVE AND WORK IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, HAVING AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
7 TELL US YOUR THOUGHTS AND YOUR PRIORITIES AS WE MOVE FORWARD  
8 TO FINALIZE THIS BUDGET. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU  
9 AND I APPRECIATE ALL OF YOU WHO ARE ENGAGED, WHO ARE INVOLVED,  
10 AND ARE SHOWING YOUR COMMITMENT TO MAKING LOS ANGELES COUNTY A  
11 BETTER PLACE FOR YOU TO LIVE AND WORK. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I, TOO, WANT TO  
14 THANK JOE FOR HIS PRESENTATION. I ALSO WANT TO THANK HIS STAFF  
15 AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS WHO ARE ALSO  
16 HERE IN THE AUDIENCE FOR HELPING US TODAY SET THE STAGE FOR  
17 WHAT WE CAN EXPECT FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR THAT STARTS  
18 JULY THE 1ST. AND AS WE PREPARE THE BUDGET, THIS IS MY LAST  
19 FISCAL YEAR ON THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE  
20 ONCE AGAIN FACE AN EXTREMELY CHALLENGING PERIOD. THE COUNTY  
21 CONTINUES TO NAVIGATE UNPRECEDENTED LITIGATION COSTS, SLOWER  
22 GROWTH IN PROPERTY TAX, THE IMPACT OF THE JANUARY 2025 FIRES,  
23 AND ONGOING NEGOTIATIONS WITH OUR LABOR PARTNERS. WHILE WE  
24 HAVE OFTEN TURNED TO THE STATE FOR SUPPORT AND ADDITIONAL  
25 FUNDING IN THE PAST, THE STATE, AS WE KNOW, IS ALSO FACING



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1 THEIR OWN BUDGET DEFICIT RIGHT NOW. HOWEVER, THE MOST  
2 CONCERNING THREAT IS THAT OF THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION THAT  
3 WILL CUT HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN FEDERAL FUNDING  
4 THAT OUR SAFETY NET DEPENDS UPON. THAT INCLUDES OUR HOSPITALS,  
5 AS WAS SAID, OUR CLINICS, PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS, PUBLIC  
6 ASSISTANCE THROUGH CALWORKS AND THE CALFRESH PROGRAM. THESE  
7 FEDERAL POLICIES ARE INTENTIONALLY HARMFUL AND DANGEROUS  
8 BECAUSE THEY TARGET THE MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS, THE VERY  
9 PEOPLE THAT WE'VE COMMITTED, AND I KNOW I'VE COMMITTED MY  
10 ENTIRE PUBLIC SERVICE TO PROTECT AND WE'VE CONTINUED THROUGH  
11 THIS BUDGET PROCESS AND AS WE GO THROUGH IT WE HAVE TO  
12 CONTINUE TO CONSIDER THE LOOMING IMPACTS OF INCOMING FEDERAL  
13 POLICIES THAT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY IMPACT MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS.  
14 LAST MONTH, THE COUNTY APPROVED THE CEO'S BUDGET  
15 RECOMMENDATIONS, AND NEXT MONTH WE'LL ADOPT THE FINAL BUDGET  
16 IN TIME FOR THE NEW FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY THE 1ST. TODAY,  
17 WE DO HAVE, HOWEVER, THE OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR DIRECTLY FROM OUR  
18 RESIDENTS ON WHAT THEY WANT TO SEE PRIORITIZED IN NEXT YEAR'S  
19 BUDGET. I WANT TO SINCERELY THANK EVERYONE WHO'S COME HERE  
20 TODAY WHO WILL PROVIDE TESTIMONY IN PERSON OR BY PHONE OR  
21 THROUGH MAIL OR EMAIL. AS YOU KNOW, COMMENTS CAN BE RECEIVED  
22 UP UNTIL MAY 15TH. YOUR INPUT IS ESSENTIAL, AND WE CAN ONLY  
23 DELIVER THE BEST OUTCOMES WITH YOUR ENGAGEMENT AND FEEDBACK.  
24 THAT, I BELIEVE, IS OUR MOST IMPORTANT GOVERNING  
25 RESPONSIBILITY. SO TO ALL RESIDENTS, I HEAR YOU. I REMAIN



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1 DEEPLY COMMITTED TO BALANCING THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY  
2 AGAINST THE FISCAL CHALLENGES THAT THIS COUNTY IS FACING, AND  
3 I HOPE THAT WE CAN WORK TOGETHER. THANK YOU. WITH THAT, WE  
4 WILL NOW HEAR FROM OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS WHO REQUESTED  
5 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. AND WE HAVE THE ASSISTANT ASSESSOR, DARA  
6 SMITH HERE. PLEASE COME FORWARD. WELCOME.

7

8 **DARA SMITH:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
9 BOARD. ASSESSOR PRANG SENDS HIS REGRETS FOR NOT BEING HERE  
10 TODAY DUE TO UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES. I AM ASSISTANT ASSESSOR  
11 DARA SMITH AND I'M HERE WITH MY COLLEAGUE, ASSISTANT ASSESSOR  
12 SCOTT THORNBERRY, PRESENTING THE ASSESSOR'S BUDGET REMARKS. AT  
13 A TIME WHEN THE COUNTY IS FACING REAL FISCAL CONSTRAINTS, THE  
14 ASSESSOR'S BUDGET FOCUSES ON MAINTAINING THE CAPACITY NEEDED  
15 TO DELIVER STABLE, RELIABLE REVENUE IN SUPPORT OF COUNTY  
16 SERVICES, SCHOOLS, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.  
17 LAST YEAR, ASSESSOR PRANG REPORTED A 3.9% INCREASE TO THE  
18 ASSESSMENT ROLL DESPITE THE IMPACTS OF WILDFIRE EVENTS. THE  
19 PROJECTED YEAR OVER YEAR ESTIMATE REMAINS WITHIN THAT SAME  
20 RANGE. THE ASSESSOR LOOKS FORWARD TO FORMALLY PRESENTING THE  
21 MAY FORECAST ON MAY 15TH. OUR OFFICE CONTINUES TO WORK CLOSELY  
22 WITH THE CEO AND THIS PROJECTION HAS BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE  
23 CEO'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET PRESENTED IN APRIL. SUSTAINING THAT  
24 LEVEL OF PERFORMANCE DEPENDS ON OPERATIONAL CAPACITY. MORE  
25 THAN HALF OF AN APPRAISER'S TIME IS DEDICATED TO MANDATED



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1 MAINTENANCE WORK THAT PROTECTS THE EXISTING PROPERTY TAX BASE.  
2 AFTER ACCOUNTING FOR TRAINING AND ADMINISTRATIVE  
3 RESPONSIBILITIES, ONLY LIMITED CAPACITY REMAINS TO GENERATE  
4 NEW ASSESSED VALUE. THIS BUDGET IS DESIGNED TO ADDRESS THAT  
5 REALITY, NOT BY EXPANDING PROGRAMS, BUT BY MAINTAINING THE  
6 RESOURCES NECESSARY TO MEET STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS AND AVOID  
7 DELAYS IN REVENUE RECOGNITION. NEXT SLIDE. THE ASSESSOR IS  
8 ALSO TAKING STEPS TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY AND REDUCE REDUNDANT  
9 WORKLOAD. ONE PROPOSAL WOULD BE TO INCREASE THE LOW VALUE  
10 ORDINANCE THRESHOLD FOR BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY FROM 5,000  
11 TO 10,000, THE STATUTORY MAXIMUM. ASSESSOR PRANG PROPOSED THIS  
12 ADJUSTMENT AND APPRECIATES YOUR BOARD'S APPROVAL OF THE  
13 RESOLUTION YESTERDAY. AT CURRENT COST LEVELS, MANY OF THESE  
14 ACCOUNTS REQUIRE MORE TO ADMINISTER THAN THEY GENERATE IN  
15 REVENUE. ADJUSTING THE THRESHOLD WILL ALLOW STAFF TO FOCUS ON  
16 HIGHER VALUE WORK WHILE PROVIDING MEANINGFUL TAX RELIEF TO  
17 OVER 47,000 SMALL BUSINESSES. AT THE SAME TIME, INVESTMENT IN  
18 TECHNOLOGY CONTINUES TO IMPROVE PRODUCTIVITY. OUR COMPUTER-  
19 ASSISTED MASS APPRAISAL SYSTEM HAS VALIDATED MORE THAN 30,000  
20 SALES, SUPPORTING WORK THAT WOULD OTHERWISE EXCEED OUR  
21 EXISTING STAFF CAPACITY. THESE TOOLS ALLOW THE OFFICE TO SCALE  
22 ITS WORK MORE EFFECTIVELY WITHIN CURRENT RESOURCE CONSTRAINTS.  
23 AND MOST NOTABLY, OUR AIRCRAFT VALUATION SOFTWARE INITIATIVE  
24 DEMONSTRATES EXACTLY WHAT STRATEGIC INVESTMENT CAN DELIVER. WE  
25 IDENTIFIED OVER 1,000 PREVIOUSLY UNASSESSED AIRCRAFT, AS WELL



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1 AS INCLUDING \$2,200,000,000 IN ESCAPED ASSESSMENTS, WHICH WERE  
2 IDENTIFIED ACROSS PRIOR ROLE YEARS. THAT RESULTS IN AN  
3 ADDITIONAL \$1,500,000,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 26/27. IN CLOSING,  
4 THE ASSESSOR'S BUDGET REFLECTS A DISCIPLINED APPROACH,  
5 MAINTAINING CORE OPERATIONS, IMPROVING EFFICIENCY, AND  
6 ALIGNING CLOSELY WITH THE COUNTY'S BROADER FINANCIAL PLAN.  
7 WITH YOUR BOARD'S SUPPORT, THE ASSESSOR WILL CONTINUE TO MEET  
8 ITS OBLIGATIONS, PROTECT THE PROPERTY TAX SYSTEM, AS WELL AS  
9 CONTRIBUTE TO THE COUNTY'S LONG-TERM FISCAL STABILITY. I WANT  
10 TO THANK YOUR BOARD STAFF MEMBERS FOR ASSISTING US. I WANT TO  
11 THANK THE CEO AS WELL AS THEIR STAFF AS WELL AS ALL OF THE  
12 STAFF MEMBERS OF THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE FOR HELPING US WITH  
13 THIS BUDGET SEASON. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

14  
15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO QUESTIONS FROM  
16 MEMBERS THEN THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION.

17  
18 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I JUST WANT TO SAY, WE JUST WANT TO GIVE OUR  
19 BEST TO THE ASSESSOR AND THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. AND I  
20 REALLY APPRECIATE THE ASSESSOR ALWAYS LOOKING FOR CREATIVE  
21 WAYS TO GENERATE REVENUE. IT'S ONE OF THE FEW DEPARTMENTS THAT  
22 ACTUALLY GENERATES REVENUE. I THINK THERE WAS SOMETHING ON OUR  
23 AGENDA EVEN YESTERDAY THAT WAS GOING TO TRANSLATE TO MORE  
24 MONEY INTO OUR COFFERS. SO WE APPRECIATE THE CREATIVITY AND  
25 THE HARD WORK THAT ASSESSOR PRANG DOES ON A DAILY BASIS.



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2 **DARA SMITH:** THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** DITTO. OKAY. SO NEXT UP, WE'LL HEAR  
7 FROM NATHAN J. HOCHMAN, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, FOR HIS  
8 PRESENTATION. WELCOME.

9

10 **NATHAN J. HOCHMAN:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR SOLIS, SUPERVISOR  
11 HORVATH, AND SUPERVISOR HAHN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALLOWING  
12 ME TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE BUDGET AS  
13 IT AFFECTS THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. AS YOU'RE AWARE,  
14 USUALLY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY HIMSELF DOES NOT SHOW UP AT A  
15 HEARING LIKE THIS, BUT I THINK THIS BUDGET IS SO IMPORTANT TO  
16 MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN MAKE REAL OUR COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC  
17 SAFETY THAT I WANTED TO SHOW UP MYSELF. IN 2020, AND I'LL GIVE  
18 YOU THE ROUGH NUMBERS, THERE WAS ROUGHLY 950 PROSECUTORS FOR  
19 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. WHEN I SHOWED UP, THERE WERE  
20 758. THAT NUMBER HAS GROWN TO ABOUT 810. BUT LAST YEAR, YOU  
21 CUT AROUND \$24,000,000 FROM MY BUDGET. THAT TRANSLATED INTO  
22 ABOUT 140 POSITIONS. SO MY ABILITY TO HAVE PROSECUTORS DO THE  
23 180,000 CRIMINAL CASES THAT WE DO. IN ADDITION TO FOCUSING ON  
24 SOME OF THE KEY INITIATIVES THAT THIS BOARD WANTS US TO FOCUS  
25 ON, IT'S SEVERELY COMPROMISED IF WE DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES



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1 TO DO IT. AND LET ME GIVE YOU A COUPLE OF EXAMPLES. SUPERVISOR  
2 HAHN, TODAY YOU ACTUALLY SENT ME A LETTER ASKING THE DISTRICT  
3 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO LAUNCH AN INVESTIGATION INTO A FIREARMS  
4 DEALER THAT PURPORTEDLY GAVE THE SHOTGUN OR SOLD THE SHOTGUN  
5 TO COLE THOMAS ALLEN, WHO USED THAT SHOTGUN PURPORTEDLY IN  
6 WASHINGTON, D.C., IN THE RECENT WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENTS'  
7 DINNER SHOOTING. WE WOULD LOVE TO DO THAT. WE WILL ACTIVELY DO  
8 THAT. BUT IN ORDER, YOU IDENTIFIED 8,000 CASES IN WHICH THIS  
9 PARTICULAR FIREARMS DEALER HAD SOLD FIREARMS THAT ENDED UP IN  
10 CRIMINAL CASES, INCLUDING 624 OF THEM IN THE LAST TWO YEARS.  
11 THAT WILL REQUIRE HUNDREDS OF HOURS OF BOTH INVESTIGATORS'  
12 TIME AND D.A.'S TIME TO GO THROUGH THOSE CASES TO SEE WHETHER  
13 OR NOT CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS HAVE BEEN DONE. WE'RE HAPPY TO DO  
14 THAT WORK BUT IN ORDER FOR ME TO PULL PROSECUTORS AND  
15 INVESTIGATORS OFF OF CURRENT CASES AND CURRENT DUTIES, OTHER  
16 CASES WILL SUFFER. SO WHEN WE GO AHEAD AND HAVE SUFFERED THE  
17 REDUCTIONS IN THE D.A.'S BUDGET, IT TRANSLATES DIRECTLY IN MY  
18 ABILITY TO MEET THE NEED THAT YOU QUITE CORRECTLY IDENTIFY.  
19 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, ABOUT A MONTH AGO OR SO, YOU AND  
20 SUPERVISOR BARGER SENT A LETTER OUT DEALING WITH HOSPICE  
21 FRAUD. THIS BOARD UNANIMOUSLY VOTED ON A MOTION TO ASK THE  
22 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO PROVIDE YOU WITH A REPORT ON  
23 HOSPICE FRAUD. I'M NOT GOING TO SAY THAT'S A TOTAL WASTE OF  
24 TIME, BUT I CAN TELL YOU RIGHT NOW, BASED ON ALL THE REPORTS I  
25 REVIEWED, THERE IS HOSPICE FRAUD IN THIS COUNTY. A LOT OF IT.

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1 IN FACT, WE'RE PROBABLY GROUND ZERO FOR HOSPICE FRAUD. BUT I  
2 THINK THE INTENT OF YOUR LETTER WAS NOT TO GET MORE  
3 INFORMATION ABOUT IT, WHICH I CAN PROVIDE TO YOU, BUT TO  
4 FIGURE OUT HOW TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. SO WE HAVE JOINED A  
5 HOSPICE FRAUD TASK FORCE. THE STATE HAS ONE, BUT WE DECIDED TO  
6 DO ONE LOCALLY. THAT MEANS I HAVE NOW PULLED PROSECUTORS AND  
7 INVESTIGATORS OFF OF OTHER ISSUES THAT THEY COULD OTHERWISE  
8 SPEND TIME ON TO DEAL WITH HOSPICE FRAUD BECAUSE IT IS THAT  
9 IMPORTANT. WHEN WE FOCUS ON OUR MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS,  
10 YOU CAN'T GET A MORE VULNERABLE POPULATION THAN PEOPLE WHO ARE  
11 TERMINALLY ILL. AND WITH RESPECT TO THAT POPULATION, WE OWE IT  
12 TO THEM TO MAKE SURE THAT IF THEY GET HOSPICE CARE, THAT IT IS  
13 DONE BY REPUTABLE HOSPICE CARE PROVIDERS AND THE ONES THAT  
14 WANT TO DEFRAUD THE SYSTEM AND TAKE MONEY AWAY FROM THEM GET  
15 PUT IN JAIL. SO I WILL COMMIT TO YOU THAT THE DISTRICT  
16 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WILL PUT SOME TEETH BEHIND YOUR DESIRE TO  
17 DEAL WITH HOSPICE FRAUD AS WE WILL FIREARMS DEALERS THAT ARE  
18 POTENTIALLY ILLEGALLY SELLING FIREARMS AS WE HAVE COMMITTED TO  
19 WITH AB 218 FRAUDSTERS WITH ANY LUCK THE MONEY THAT YOU HAVE  
20 DEDICATED TO US WILL SAVE THIS COUNTY, TO SUPERVISOR HAHN'S  
21 POINT OF ACTUALLY BRINGING RESOURCES INTO THE COUNTY, WE HOPE  
22 TO SAVE THE COUNTY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS BY GOING AFTER THOSE  
23 FRAUDSTERS. SO AGAIN, I WANTED TO TAKE THIS TIME TODAY TO  
24 HIGHLIGHT JUST ONE DEPARTMENT, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,  
25 AND SHOW YOU HOW CUTS WILL ACTUALLY AFFECT OUR ABILITY TO



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1 SERVE THE PUBLIC AND BRING PUBLIC SAFETY, WHEREAS IF WE'RE  
2 ABLE TO GET CERTAIN RESOURCES IN KEY AREAS, THAT WILL  
3 TRANSLATE DIRECTLY INTO ENHANCED PUBLIC SAFETY. I'M HAPPY TO  
4 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS, BUT I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE TIME  
5 THIS MORNING.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?

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9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I'M NOT LOOKING AT WHAT YOU ASKED FOR. WHAT  
10 DID YOU ASK FOR? WHAT ARE YOUR UNMET NEEDS? WHAT DID YOU ASK  
11 FOR AND WHAT DID YOU GET?

12

13 **NATHAN J. HOCHMAN:** CERTAINLY. SO INTERESTINGLY, WE CUT DOWN TO  
14 THE CHAFF OF WHAT WE COULD ASK FOR. SO FOR INSTANCE, WE ASKED  
15 FOR THINGS THAT LITERALLY, WE ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO HAVE. GANG  
16 HOMICIDE. WE ASKED FOR THREE MORE PROSECUTORS. AND THE REASON  
17 IS THAT GENERALLY PROSECUTORS HANDLE 12 TO 13 CASES. BECAUSE  
18 OF THE STAFF CUTS, THESE PROSECUTORS ARE UP TO 25 TO 30 GANG  
19 HOMICIDE MURDER CASES. SO WE ASKED FOR THREE ADDITIONAL GANG  
20 HOMICIDE PROSECUTORS. WE ASKED FOR 14 STAFF POSITIONS BACK. WE  
21 ASKED FOR A NUMBER OF PROSECUTORS THAT WE CAN THEN ALLOCATE IN  
22 EVERYTHING FROM THE MURDER RESETTANCING UNITS ALL THE WAY TO  
23 THESE TYPE OF SITUATIONS THAT WILL COME UP, LIKE FIREARMS  
24 PROSECUTIONS, LIKE HOSPICE FRAUD, AND THEN SUPPORT STAFF.  
25 BECAUSE AS I GO FROM OFFICE TO OFFICE TO OFFICE, THE NUMBER



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1 ONE COMPLAINT IS WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH PARALEGALS, ENOUGH LEGAL  
2 ASSISTANTS, TO ACTUALLY DO THE SUPPORT WORK THAT ALL THE  
3 PROSECUTORS NEED TO DO, SO A LOT OF THE PROSECUTORS THEN HAVE  
4 TO DO THE SUPPORT WORK WHICH TAKES THEM AWAY FROM DOING THE  
5 ACTUAL TRIAL WORK. SO THIS IS IN OUR BUDGET REQUEST. SOME OF  
6 IT HAS BEEN PUT INTO SUSPENDED OR FINAL BUDGET TALKS. SOME OF  
7 IT WAS ABSOLUTELY DENIED. BUT I WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT ALL THESE  
8 ISSUES FOR YOU, NOT BECAUSE I IN ANY WAY DISREGARD THE REQUEST  
9 FROM EVERY OTHER DEPARTMENT. AND I KNOW YOU HAVE TO DEAL WITH  
10 EVERY OTHER DEPARTMENT, BUT I WANTED TO DO MY BEST TO  
11 TRANSLATE MY REQUEST INTO ENHANCED PUBLIC SAFETY.

12  
13 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

14  
15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I'M LOOKING  
16 FORWARD TO WHAT YOU CAN COME FORWARD WITH RESPECT TO  
17 PROSECUTING THOSE FRAUDSTERS IN THE AB 218 CASES AND WANT TO  
18 SEE THAT. AND I'M GLAD THAT WE DO HAVE FUNDING THERE AVAILABLE  
19 SO YOU CAN HIRE SOME INDIVIDUALS THERE. THAT WILL BE, I THINK,  
20 A BIG GAME CHANGER FOR US AS WE MOVE AHEAD.

21  
22 **NATHAN J. HOCHMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND WE WILL DO OUR  
23 ABSOLUTE BEST TO TAKE THAT FUNDING AND TURN IT INTO REAL  
24 RESULTS.



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY, VERY GOOD. COMING.

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3 **NATHAN J. HOCHMAN:** THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON NOW, AND WE  
6 WILL GO BACK NOW AND BEGIN WITH PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE BUDGET,  
7 AND I'LL HAVE EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF  
8 THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:**

11 WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF  
12 WILL ASSIST YOU. BECKY RICKLEY, ANA-ALICIA CARR, CHRIS CARTER,  
13 REBECCA PEARL, DIANA ESCAMILLA, YARITZA GONZALEZ, KATARINA  
14 MESAN, GEORGINA HENRIQUEZ, FERNANDO FERNANDO, NICOLE BROWN,  
15 HELEN DODD, LEILANI REID, AUBREY YARBROUGH, LIBERADO CLEMANA,  
16 RUF GREEN, CINDY SAHAGAN, MICHELLE OTTLEY, DANIEL FLORES,  
17 VALERIE CRUZ, JENNIFER AGUIRRE, TONYA MCCLENDON, JASMINE  
18 DESENCLOS, MEGAN CASTILLO, TASNIM CHOWDHURY, FELICIA CARBAJAL,  
19 MAX LEVA, JOSLYN RODRIGUEZ, BLANCA RIVERA. AS A FINAL REMINDER  
20 FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS, TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO  
21 ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE USE  
22 THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR 3 ON YOUR  
23 TELEPHONE NOW. WE WILL BEGIN WITH IN-PERSON SPEAKERS FIRST.

24

25 **BECKY RICKLEY:** HI, MY NAME IS BECKY RICKLEY. THANK YOU FOR THE



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1 OPPORTUNITY.

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** PLEASE SPEAK INTO THE MIC, MA'AM.

4 THANK YOU. THERE WE GO.

5

6 **BECKY RICKLEY:** HI, MY NAME IS BECKY RICKLEY AND THANK YOU VERY  
7 MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY. PROCEDURES WERE NOT FOLLOWED IN THE  
8 LOCKMAN FIRE. JUST SEVEN DAYS LATER, THE PALISADES FIRE  
9 DESTROYED 7,000 HOMES, CLAIMED 12 LIVES, AND IMPACTED THE  
10 COUNTY'S BUDGET. I KNOW THE CONSEQUENCES OF THAT FIRSTHAND. I  
11 LOST MY HOME IN THE PALISADES FIRE, REBUILT IT IN SIX MONTHS,  
12 AND TO THIS DAY, IT REMAINS THE FIRST AND ONLY CERTIFICATE OF  
13 OCCUPANCY ISSUED BY THE COUNTY. BUT STARTING NEXT WEEK I'M  
14 GOING TO HAVE TO SIT AND WATCH MY WORK BE DESTROYED. NEXT WEEK  
15 WORK MAY BEGIN UNDER A COUNTY ISSUED PERMIT THAT IS  
16 FUNDAMENTALLY FLAWED AND UNSUPPORTED BY FACTS. I'VE BEEN  
17 UNABLE TO GET ANYONE IN THE COUNTY TO MEET WITH ME. THIS IS MY  
18 LAST DITCH EFFORT TO PROTECT MY HOME. THE PERMANENT QUESTION  
19 IS FOR A REPAIR OF A SEWER PIPE THAT DOES NOT EXIST. THAT IS  
20 NOT JUST MY CLAIM. THREE COUNTY INSPECTORS, THE APPLICANT,  
21 THRIFTY OIL AND THRIFTY SURVEYOR, AND EVEN A RETIRED JUDGE SAY  
22 THERE'S NO PIPE. YET THE PROJECT IS BEING CALLED TO REPAIR  
23 BECAUSE COUNTY CODE PROHIBITS NEW SEWER INSTALLATIONS. SO  
24 INSTEAD WE ARE BEING ASKED TO ACCEPT THE IDEA THAT YOU COULD  
25 PREPARE SOMETHING THAT DOES NOT EXIST. AFTER I PROVIDED



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1 EXTENSIVE --

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR, WHO WOULD BE IN THE AUDIENCE  
6 THAT COULD HELP HER?

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** DO WE HAVE STAFF?

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10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** IS THIS PUBLIC WORKS? WHO'S ISSUING THESE  
11 PERMITS?

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13 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** MY OFFICE HAS BEEN IN COMMUNICATION.

14

15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OH, OKAY, THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I THINK, YEAH, IN REGIONAL, I  
18 DON'T THINK REGIONAL PLANNING, BUT SOMEONE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH  
19 YOU, MA'AM. THANK YOU.

20

21 **BECKY RICKLEY:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD. NEXT SPEAKER.

24

25 **RUTH GREEN:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME IS RUTH



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1 GREEN. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF CEASEFIRE. I'M HERE BECAUSE OF  
2 THE VIOLENCE. VIOLENCE HAS CHANGED MY FAMILY FOREVER. ONE OF  
3 MY COUSINS, SAM SLUSHER, WAS SHOT AND KILLED. AND ALSO IN  
4 2023, MY NEPHEW WAS SHOT IN THE STOMACH ON THE WAY PICKING UP  
5 SOME FOOD FOR HIS PREGNANT WIFE. TODAY, THE BULLET IS STILL IN  
6 HIS STOMACH. HE STILL CARRIES THAT. ON TOP OF THE TRAUMA, HE  
7 WAS DENIED VICTIM OF CRIME ASSISTANCE AND LOST HIS JOB WHILE  
8 RECOVERING, LEAVING HIS FAMILY WITHOUT HELP THAT HE NEEDED  
9 MOSTLY. THIS IS WHY PREVENTION MATTERS. INVESTING IN COMMUNITY  
10 VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT THROUGH THE THRIVE  
11 ACT CAN STOP CYCLES OF HARM BEFORE FAMILIES SUFFER LIKE MINE.  
12 SURVIVORS NEED HEALING, SUPPORT, AND REAL PATHWAYS FOR SAFETY.

13  
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15  
16 **ANA-ALICIA CARR:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. ANA-  
17 ALICIA CARR WITH THE LOS ANGELES FOOD POLICY COUNCIL, A  
18 COLLECTIVE IMPACT ORGANIZATION WHOSE MISSION IS TO ENSURE FOOD  
19 IS HEALTHY, AFFORDABLE, ACCESSIBLE, SUSTAINABLE, AND FAIR FOR  
20 ALL. WE IDENTIFY SOLUTIONS AT THE INTERSECTION OF FOOD AND  
21 NUTRITION SECURITY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND ENVIRONMENTAL  
22 SUSTAINABILITY, WHICH IS WHY I AM URGING YOU TO PRIORITIZE A  
23 \$37,000,000 INVESTMENT ACROSS THREE INITIATIVES, \$20,000,000  
24 FOR GROCERY VOUCHER PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT IMMIGRANT FOOD  
25 JUSTICE, \$3,000,000 TO SUPPORT MARKET MATCH, AND \$14,000,000



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1 TO SUPPORT CALFRESH HEALTHY LIVING. THESE THREE STRATEGIC  
2 INVESTMENTS BOOST PURCHASING POWER, DRIVE RETAIL ACTIVITY,  
3 SUPPORT OUR AG SECTOR, AND HAVE SIGNIFICANT MULTIPLIER  
4 EFFECTS. SECONDLY, THEY HAVE A HIGH DEGREE OF READINESS TO  
5 IMPLEMENT WITH PRE-EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE ALREADY IN PLACE.  
6 THIRD, THEY ARE BASED ON SHARED COLLECTIVE PRIORITIES. AT A  
7 TIME WHEN BUDGETS ARE TIGHT, OUR COMMUNITIES DESIRE STRATEGIC  
8 INVESTMENTS INTO EVIDENCE-BASED SOLUTIONS THAT WILL HELP  
9 NOURISH FAMILIES AND FOOD SYSTEM STAKEHOLDERS.

10  
11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12  
13 **CHRIS CARTER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS CHRIS CARTER AND I'M SPEAKING  
14 ON BEHALF OF THE L.A. REGIONAL FOOD BANK. FIRSTLY, WE THANK  
15 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN MITIGATING THE  
16 IMPACTS OF H.R. -1 AND SAFEGUARDING ACCESS TO NUTRITION  
17 PROGRAMS. ACCORDING TO USC DORNSIFE, FOOD INSECURITY IN L.A.  
18 COUNTY IS 24% AND THE L.A. FOOD BANK IS CURRENTLY SERVING OVER  
19 1,000,000 PEOPLE PER MONTH COUNTYWIDE. DUE TO THE NEW  
20 RESTRICTIONS IN H.R.1, 270,000 PEOPLE RISK LOSING CALFRESH  
21 BENEFITS IN L.A. COUNTY. WHILE FOOD BANKS PLAY A CRITICAL  
22 ROLE, WE CANNOT REPLACE THE SCALE OF FEDERAL NUTRITION  
23 PROGRAMS. FOR EVERY ONE MEAL PROVIDED BY FOOD BANKS, CALFRESH  
24 PROVIDES NINE. WE URGE THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO  
25 SUPPORT FUNDING FOR NUTRITION PROGRAMS, INCLUDING \$20,000,000



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1 FOR THE GROCERY VOUCHER PROGRAM, \$14,000,000 FOR THE CALFRESH  
2 HEALTHY LIVING PROGRAM, AND \$3,000,000 FOR MARKET MATCH, TO  
3 ENSURE NEIGHBORS HAVE RELIABLE ACCESS TO HEALTHY FOOD AND  
4 NUTRITION PROGRAMS. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND YOUR  
5 SUPPORT.

6  
7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8  
9 **REBECCA PEARL:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS REBECCA PEARL AND I'M  
10 THE COMMUNITY ADVOCACY DIRECTOR FOR THE AMERICAN HEART  
11 ASSOCIATION, A NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH ORGANIZATION DEDICATED  
12 TO BUILDING LONGER, HEALTHIER LIVES FREE OF HEART DISEASE AND  
13 STROKE AND A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M HERE TO ASK  
14 YOU TO ALLOCATE \$3,000,000 FOR THE MARKET MATCH PROGRAM IN  
15 THIS YEAR'S BUDGET. MARKET MATCH DOUBLES CALFRESH DOLLARS  
16 SPENT ON FRUITS AND VEGETABLES AT FARMERS MARKETS, HELPING  
17 FAMILIES AFFORD FRESH, HEALTHY FOOD WHILE SUPPORTING LOCAL  
18 FARMERS MARKETS AND SMALL BUSINESSES. EVERY DOLLAR INVESTED  
19 GENERATES \$3 IN LOCAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY. THIS INVESTMENT IS  
20 URGENT. \$1,500,000 ANGELENOS RELY ON CALFRESH, YET NEARLY HALF  
21 STILL REPORT BEING HUNGRY BECAUSE FOOD COSTS ARE SO HIGH.  
22 LIMITED ACCESS TO FRUITS AND VEGETABLES CONTRIBUTE TO  
23 PREVENTABLE DISEASES LIKE HEART DISEASE AND DIABETES. MARKET  
24 MATCH WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE 2026/2027 PROPOSED STATE BUDGET  
25 AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL FUNDING MAY END. WE RESPECTFULLY ASK



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1 YOU TO INVEST \$3,000,000 TO SUPPORT --

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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5 **HELEN DODD:** GOOD MORNING, I'M HELEN DODD WITH FARM TO PEOPLE,  
6 A FOOD JUSTICE NONPROFIT THAT SUPPORTS REGIONAL CALIFORNIA  
7 FARMERS WHILE FIGHTING HUNGER HERE IN L.A. AS A PARTICIPANT IN  
8 THE NUTRITIOUS FOOD ACCESS ECOSYSTEM, WE ARE SEEING A SURGE IN  
9 NEED AT THE SAME MOMENT THAT RESOURCES ARE DISAPPEARING. OVER  
10 THE PAST THREE YEARS, FARM TO PEOPLE HAS PROVIDED 3.3 MILLION  
11 POUNDS OF FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES TO LOS ANGELES FOOD  
12 BANKS, WHICH AMOUNTS TO OVER 21,000,000 SERVINGS OF PRODUCE  
13 DISTRIBUTED TO FOOD INSECURE ANGELENOS. THE FEDERAL PROGRAM  
14 THAT HAS BEEN FUNDING THIS WORK ENDS THIS MONTH, WHICH MEANS  
15 THE HIGH VOLUME OF PRODUCE THAT WE HAVE BEEN SENDING INTO THE  
16 FOOD ACCESS PIPELINE WILL NO LONGER BE THERE. WE'RE AFFIRMING  
17 THE NEED TO INVEST IN FOOD ACCESS PROGRAMS AND IN OUR FOOD  
18 SYSTEM MORE BROADLY TO REINFORCE OUR SOCIAL SAFETY NET SINCE  
19 THERE ARE SO MANY FORCES WEAKENING IT RIGHT NOW. THANK YOU.

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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23 **AUBREY YARBROUGH:** HI, MY NAME'S AUBREY YARBROUGH AND I'M THE  
24 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WITH FARM HABIT. FARM HABIT  
25 RUNS NINE WEEKLY FARMERS MARKETS IN LOS ANGELES. WE HAVE THREE



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1 IN LINDSAY HORVATH'S DISTRICT. WE'LL SOON HAVE FIVE IN HOLLY  
2 J. MITCHELL'S, AND WE HAVE ONE IN HILDA SOLIS'S DISTRICT WHICH  
3 IS WHERE I LIVE. I'M HERE TODAY BECAUSE WORKING WITH FARMERS  
4 MARKETS I'VE SEEN FIRSTHAND THE SUCCESS OF THE MARKET MATCH  
5 PROGRAM. MARKET MATCH HAS EXTREMELY LOW OVERHEAD. IT MAKES  
6 FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES ACCESSIBLE TO LOW-INCOME ANGELENOS  
7 AND THE SALES GO DIRECTLY TO SMALL LOCAL FARMERS. ON BEHALF OF  
8 FARM HABIT, I URGE THE COUNTY TO ALLOCATE \$3,000,000 TO DRIVE  
9 SUPPORT FOR OUR LOCAL ECONOMY, SMALL AND MID-SIZED FARMERS,  
10 AND TO BOOST THE PURCHASING POWER OF CALFRESH PARTICIPANTS.  
11 AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR ALLOCATING  
12 \$14,000,000 FOR CALFRESH HEALTHY LIVING SO THAT VITAL  
13 NUTRITION EDUCATION, OUTREACH, FOOD DISTRIBUTION, SCHOOL, FOOD  
14 INTERVENTIONS, AND MORE CAN CONTINUE, AND TO ALLOCATE  
15 \$20,000,000 TO SUPPORT IMMIGRANT FOOD JUSTICE, INCLUDING  
16 SUPPORTING THOSE WHO ARE LOSING. THANKS.

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18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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20 **KATERINA MESESAN:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS KATERINA  
21 MESESAN. I'M WITH THE L.A. REGIONAL FOOD BANK NUTRITION  
22 SERVICES TEAM, AND I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE FUNDING FOR  
23 CALFRESH HEALTHY LIVING, THE GROCERY VOUCHER PROGRAM, AND  
24 MARKET MATCH. WE AT THE FOOD BANK WITH OUR PARTNER PANTRIES  
25 ARE IN THE FRONT LINES OF FOOD INSECURITY. I'M HERE TO UPLIFT



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1 THEIR VOICES ABOUT THE IMPACT OF THESE PARTICULAR PROGRAMS. IN  
2 DISTRICT 1, THE PROMOTORAS AT CCNP ARE REBUILDING TRUST AND  
3 CREATING SAFE SPACES THROUGH FOOD, THROUGH HEALTHY FOOD  
4 SPECIFICALLY, DESPITE THE FEAR FROM I.C.E. RAIDS. AND AFTER  
5 THE EATON FIRES AND FOOTHILL UNITY CENTER IN DISTRICT 5, I  
6 WANT TO SHARE THAT THEIR FAMILIES, THEY DON'T JUST RECEIVE  
7 FOOD, THEY RECEIVE MEANINGFUL, CULTURALLY RELEVANT MEALS THAT  
8 ARE SERVED WITH DIGNITY AND WITH RESPECT. THESE VOICES MATTER.  
9 PLEASE SUPPORT THE FUNDING OF THESE PROGRAMS TO ENSURE THAT  
10 THIS IMPACTFUL WORK CAN CONTINUE BECAUSE THEY CAN'T BE HERE TO  
11 VOICE THE IMPACT OF THIS WORK FOR THEMSELVES. THANK YOU.

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13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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15 **FERNANDO FERNANDO:** HELLO. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS  
16 FERNANDO FERNANDO. I'M A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
17 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF IMMIGRANTS IN LOS ANGELES. ACROSS THIS  
18 COUNTY, OLDER IMMIGRANTS HAVE SPENT THEIR WHOLE LIVES WORKING.  
19 THEY CLEAN HOME, SELL FOOD, AND HEAVY PHYSICAL LABOR. THEY  
20 HELPED BUILD THIS COUNTRY ALONG ALL OF US, BUT MANY OF THEM  
21 HAVE NO SAFETY NETS. THEY DO NOT QUALIFY FOR SOCIAL SECURITY  
22 AND OTHER FEDERAL BENEFITS. RIGHT NOW, THE PEER AND FINANCIAL  
23 PRESSURE ARE MAKING A HARD SITUATION EVEN HARDER. THEY SHOULD  
24 NOT HAVE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN EATING AND PAYING RENT IN THEIR  
25 FINAL YEARS. THEY DESERVE TO AGE WITH DIGNITY. WE ARE ASKING



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1 THE BOARD TO CREATE GUARANTEE --

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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5 **LEILANI REED:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LEILANI  
6 REED. I AM A PROUD MEMBER OF SEIU 2015 AND AN IHSS PROVIDER.  
7 I'M HERE TODAY TO URGE THE BOARD TO PRIORITIZE COUNTY FUNDING  
8 FOR OUR IHSS CONTRACT AND CRITICAL HEALTHCARE INVESTMENT IN  
9 THIS YEAR'S BUDGET. RIGHT NOW, OUR UNION IS FIGHTING TO  
10 PROTECT CARE. AT THE STATE LEVEL, WE ARE PUSHING BACK AGAINST  
11 PROPOSALS THAT WOULD SHIFT THE COST OF IHSS CASE LOAD GROWTH  
12 FROM THE STATE TO ONTO COUNTIES LIKE OURS. THAT KIND OF COST  
13 SHIFT WOULD PUT A HUGE PRESSURE ONTO THE COUNTY'S BUDGET AND  
14 THREATEN THE STABILITY OF CARE FOR SENIORS AND PEOPLE WITH  
15 DISABILITIES WHO RELY ON US EVERY DAY. THAT'S WHY OVER 3,000  
16 SEIU 2015 MEMBERS WILL BE TRAVELING TO SACRAMENTO ON MAY 20TH  
17 TO DEMAND A BUDGET THAT PROTECTS IHSS, NOT CUT IT AND NOT  
18 SHIFT THE BURDEN ONTO THE COUNTY. MEASURE ER IS --

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20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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22 **LIBRADO CLEMENA:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS LIBRADO CLEMENA AND  
23 I'M A WORKFORCE AND REENTRY CASE MANAGER FOR SAN TORCHON LONG  
24 BEACH AND WITH THE LOS ANGELES VIOLENCE INTERVENTION  
25 COALITION, LAVIC. I'M HERE TODAY TO CALL ON THE LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO INVEST MORE IN COMMUNITY  
2 VIOLENCE INTERVENTION, OR CVI, AS A PATHWAY TO LASTING SAFETY  
3 IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THE COUNTY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SAFETY OF  
4 MILLIONS OF RESIDENTS, YET EVERY YEAR HUNDREDS OF LIVES ARE  
5 LOST TO GUN VIOLENCE. DESPITE THIS, THE COUNTY'S INVESTMENT IN  
6 VIOLENCE PREVENTION CONTINUES TO LAG BEHIND THE CITY. WE NEED  
7 A SHIFT FROM SYSTEMS OF INCARCERATION TO SYSTEMS OF CARE. CVI  
8 IS NOT JUST A PROGRAM, IT IS A PROVEN PUBLIC SAFETY STRATEGY.  
9 IT ALIGNS DIRECTLY WITH THE BOARD'S CAREFIRST VISION BY  
10 ADDRESSING VIOLENCE AT ITS ROOT. THROUGH PREVENTION,  
11 INTERVENTION, AND HEALING, RIGHT NOW OUR NONPROFIT AND  
12 COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS ARE FACING SERIOUS FUNDING CUTS. JUST  
13 THIS PAST APRIL, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CANCELED OVER  
14 \$800,000,000 IN GRANTS, INCLUDING 9,000,000 THAT SUPPORTED  
15 VIOLENCE REDUCTION EFFORTS HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY,  
16 IMPACTING COMMUNITIES LIKE LONG BEACH, SOUTH L.A., WATTS AND  
17 THE HARBOR AREA. THIS IS A CRITICAL MOMENT.

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19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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21 **VALERIE CRUZ:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR AND ALL BOARD  
22 MEMBERS. MY NAME IS VALERIE CRUZ. I'M SORRY, I WAS, I AM A  
23 COMMUNITY INTERVENTION WORKER AT CENTRAL CHA AND AT CABRILLO  
24 HIGH SCHOOL. AND WHAT WE DO GOES BEYOND KEEPING THE PEACE. WE  
25 BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE DEALING WITH



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1 THINGS MOST PEOPLE DON'T SEE. VIOLENCE IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD,  
2 PROBLEMS AT HOME, TRAUMA, AND PRESSURE FROM SOCIAL MEDIA AND  
3 PEERS. A LOT OF THESE STUDENTS DON'T FEEL HEARD ANYWHERE ELSE,  
4 SO WE BECAME A SAFE SPACE FOR THEM TO TALK, VENT, AND GUIDE  
5 THEM IN THE BETTER DIRECTION. THIS IS SOMETHING YOU CAN'T JUST  
6 REPLACE WITH DISCIPLINE OR PUNISHMENT. YOU NEED PEOPLE WHO  
7 UNDERSTAND THE COMMUNITY AND HAVE LIVED EXPERIENCE AND WHO CAN  
8 ACTUALLY REACH THESE STUDENTS. THAT'S WHY FUNDING FOR THE CVI  
9 IS SO IMPORTANT. PROGRAMS LIKE THIS INVEST IN REAL SOLUTIONS  
10 THAT WORK. WITHOUT FUNDING, THIS WORK DISAPPEARS, AND WHEN  
11 THAT HAPPENS, PROBLEMS DON'T GO AWAY. THEY GET WORSE. VIOLENCE  
12 INCREASES, STUDENTS FALL THROUGH THE CRACKS, AND COMMUNITIES  
13 LOSE SUPPORT SYSTEMS THAT WILL HELP KEEP THEM SAFE. CVI  
14 FUNDING --

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16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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18 **JENNIFER AGUIRRE:** OKAY, GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR AND  
19 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JENNIFER AGUIRRE, AND I ALSO LIVE IN  
20 LONG BEACH, AND I WORK FOR CENTRO CHA COMMUNITY INTERVENTION  
21 WORKER. I'M AT CABRILLO HIGH SCHOOL. I'M ALSO A FORMER FOSTER  
22 YOUTH WHO EXPERIENCED MANY FORM OF VIOLENCE GROWING UP. THOSE  
23 EXPERIENCES LED ME DOWN A PATH THAT RESULTED IN COUNTRY RACE  
24 COUNTRY IN COUNTRIES IT'S HARD TODAY I WORK WITH YOUNG PEOPLE  
25 WHO ARE FACING THE SAME TRAUMA AND PAIN I WAS EXPERIENCED WE



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1 HELP PREVENT CONFLICT FOR ESCALATING INTO VIOLENCE SUPPORT AND  
2 STUDENT SUPPORT STUDENTS THROUGH CRISIS AND REMINDING THAT  
3 THEIR LIVES STILL MATTER. THIS WORK SAVES LIVES AND I'M HERE  
4 AND I'M LIVING PROOF THAT INTERVENTION WORKS. RIGHT NOW THE  
5 COUNTY SPENDS ABOUT \$7,000,000 ON COUNTY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION  
6 PROGRAMS, WHILE MUCH MORE IS SPENT RESPONDING TO VIOLENCE  
7 AFTER IT HAPPENS. IF WE TRULY WANT SAFER SCHOOLS AND  
8 COMMUNITIES, WE MUST INVEST MORE IN PREVENTION AND THE PEOPLE  
9 DOING THEIR WORK EVERY DAY. THANK YOU.

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11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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13 **CINDY SAHAGUN:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
14 MY NAME IS CINDY SAHAGUN, AND I AM A COMMUNITY VIOLENCE  
15 INTERVENTIONS PROGRAMS MANAGER AT CENTRO CHA IN LONG BEACH,  
16 THE SECOND LARGEST CITY IN THE COUNTY. I CALL ON THE BOARD OF  
17 SUPERVISORS TO INVEST MORE IN CAREFIRST STRATEGIES, INCLUDING  
18 COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAMS, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT,  
19 HOUSING, DIVERSION, AND REENTRY. THIS INCLUDES EFFORTS SUCH AS  
20 THE SUMMER NIGHT LIGHTS OR COMMUNITY ACTIVATIONS IN PARK  
21 SPACES IN NEIGHBORHOODS MOST IMPACTED BY VIOLENCE. AND THIS IS  
22 SPECIFICALLY IN THE SUMMERTIME WHERE WE KNOW THERE'S AN UPTICK  
23 IN VIOLENCE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. SCHOOL-BASED STRATEGIES SUCH  
24 AS SAFE PASSAGES AND INVESTING IN PEACEMAKERS, THESE  
25 APPROACHES NOT ONLY REDUCE VIOLENCE, THEY BUILD OPPORTUNITIES



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1 AND OPPORTUNITIES KEEP OUR YOUTH AND FAMILIES SAFE AND OFF THE  
2 STREETS. THESE STRATEGIES ARE EVIDENCE-BASED AND COMMUNITY-  
3 DRIVEN THAT CREATE TRUE AND LASTING SAFETY IN OUR COMMUNITIES.  
4 THANK YOU.

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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8 **DANIEL FLORES:** GOOD MORNING, COUNTY SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
9 DANIEL FLORES. I'M A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY. I ALSO  
10 WORK IN THE COUNTY. I'M A RETIRED CITY OF LONG BEACH EMPLOYEE.  
11 I CURRENTLY I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF CENTRO CHA. CENTRO CHA IS A  
12 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION IN LONG BEACH. WE PROVIDE SERVICES FOR  
13 A COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION. WE ALSO PROVIDE SAFE  
14 PASSAGES ON THE WEST SIDE. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR US TO  
15 CONTINUE TO PROTECT THE CHILDREN AND THE STUDENTS AND THE  
16 TEENAGERS OF LONG BEACH. VIOLENCE IS SOMETHING THAT'S ONGOING  
17 IN LOS ANGELES, BUT I BELIEVE THAT THE PROGRAMS THAT WE DO  
18 IMPACT THE COMMUNITY AND ENSURE BEND INSTABILITY. MANY OF  
19 MYSELF AND OUR TEAM WERE ONCE INVOLVED IN THAT KIND OF  
20 LIFESTYLE, AND WE CHANGED OUR LIFE MANY YEARS AGO, AND NOW  
21 WE'RE PRODUCTIVE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY. A LOT OF CHILDREN SEE US  
22 AS ROLE MODELS, AND WE LIKE TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THEM FOR  
23 THEY DON'T HAVE TO GROW TO BE LIKE WE WERE ONCE WERE. I'M  
24 ASKING YOU TO CONTINUE TO --

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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO REMOTE  
2 CALLERS. BYRON, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN. BYRON, YOUR  
3 LINE IS OPEN.

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5 **BYRON JOSE:** GOOD MORNING. THIS IS BYRON. I JUST WANT TO SAY  
6 THAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE D.A. IS THERE. HE ALREADY HAD  
7 A CHANCE DURING THE PRESENTATIONS EARLIER THIS YEAR. AND I'M  
8 OUT HERE BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S SAFE FOR ME TO GO INSIDE  
9 THAT BUILDING AND IT'S VERY TELLING THAT AFTER YEARS OF DOING  
10 THIS WORK BEING OUT HERE IN THE COMMUNITY FAIR ACTUALLY  
11 PRACTICING WHAT CAREFIRST LOOK LIKE IS WHERE I'M AT INSTEAD OF  
12 SITTING HERE IN THIS BUDGET, IN THIS BOARD THAT CONTINUES TO  
13 NOT PRIORITIZE CARE AND PRIORITIZE CRIMINAL SYSTEMS. SO YOU  
14 CANNOT CONTINUE TO BALANCE THE BUDGET AT THE EXPENSE OR ON THE  
15 BACKS OF QUEER AND TRANS BODIES OR RACIALIZED BODIES AND OF  
16 OUR YOUTH THAT CONTINUE TO BE CAPTURED OR TRAPPED IN THE  
17 PLETHORA OF COUNTY CULTURAL SYSTEMS. THANK YOU.

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19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS  
20 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

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22 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** YOU DO. YOUR CONTINUED CRIMINAL ACTS PER 8 U.S.  
23 CODE 1324, WHICH INCLUDES SPENDING TAX DOLLARS ON ILLEGAL  
24 ALIENS IN CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO  
25 SUPPORT THIS INVASION FOR POLITICAL GAIN. THE INVISIBLE COUP,



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1 PETER SCHWEITZER, HAS REACHED ENDPOINT ALL UNDER THE DEMOCRAT  
2 GANG OF FOUR ON THIS BOARD. YOU AND YOUR DEMOCRATS, STATE  
3 GOVERNMENT DEMOCRATS, HAVE CREATED THIS DISASTER WHICH HAS  
4 GARNERED NATIONAL AND WORLDWIDE CLAIM. GOD BLESS AND PROTECT  
5 PRESIDENT TRUMP AND THIS NATION FROM THE DEMOCRAT TREASONOUS  
6 ENDEAVORS. YOUR REDUCTION TO THE D.A. BUDGET IS A HEINOUS  
7 CRIMINAL ACT AS YOU SPEND HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS ON ILLEGAL  
8 ALIENS. SHAME ON YOU.

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10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323359,  
11 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

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13 **ANDONY CORLETO:** MY NAME IS ANDONY CORLETO. I'M AN SB2 RESIDENT  
14 AND PROGRAM ASSOCIATE AT THE VERA INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE. LOOK,  
15 IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM, MORE THAN 60% OF  
16 INCARCERATED PEOPLE HAVE NOT IDENTIFIED MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS.  
17 NUMEROUS REPORTS, YEARS OF RECORD HIGH IN CUSTODY DEATHS, AND  
18 VARIOUS LAWSUITS HAVE SHOWN THAT OUR JAILS ARE ILL-EQUIPPED TO  
19 MEET THESE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS AND DELIVER APPROPRIATE  
20 TREATMENT. INCARCERATION IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR TREATMENT.  
21 EFFECTIVE CARE REQUIRES SHIFTING RESOURCES TO SOLUTIONS THAT  
22 SUPPORT AND STABILIZE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY. SERVICES  
23 DELIVERED WITH JAILS CANNOT. TREATMENT, STABILITY, AND REDUCED  
24 RECIDIVISM RATES END AT A FRACTION OF THE COST. INSTEAD OF  
25 EXPANDING JAIL-BASED RESPONSES UNDER THE GUISE OF A NEW



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1 TREATMENT FACILITY, WE URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO INVEST  
2 IN PROVEN SOLUTIONS ROOTED IN CARE AND STABILITY, INCLUDING  
3 SCALING ODR HOUSING AND THE WORKFORCE PROGRAMS FOR SYSTEM  
4 IMPACTED PEOPLE AND EXPANDING HOLISTIC DEFENSE. WE AT THE VERA  
5 INSTITUTE HAVE SUBMITTED A BUDGET LETTER SIGNED BY MORE THAN  
6 40 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WITH DETAILED DESCRIPTIONS OF  
7 THESE INVESTMENTS.

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9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MYA HENDRIX, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.  
10 PLEASE BEGIN.

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12 **MYA HENDRIX:** I'M MYA HENDRIX. AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE  
13 REIMAGINED L.A. COALITION. WE ARE IN A CRISIS. PEOPLE ARE  
14 SITTING IN JAIL PRETRIAL, LEGALLY INNOCENT, LOSING THEIR  
15 HOMES, THEIR JOBS, THEIR CHILDREN. PEOPLE ARE DYING IN THE  
16 JAILS. FAMILIES ARE STRUGGLING TO SURVIVE WITHOUT ACCESS TO  
17 HOUSING OR CARE, AND YET WE CONTINUE TO POUR BILLIONS INTO  
18 SYSTEMS THAT CAUSE HARM. RIGHT NOW, THIS BUDGET DOES NOT  
19 REFLECT CAREFIRST, GO LAST. IF YOU ARE SERIOUS ABOUT PUTTING  
20 PEOPLE FIRST, THEN YOU MUST INVEST IN WHAT ACTUALLY KEEPS US  
21 SAFE. HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH CARE, DIVERSION AND REENTRY. THAT  
22 MEANS MAKING REAL SHIFTS, ELIMINATING VACANT POSITIONS IN THE  
23 SHERIFF AND PROBATION DEPARTMENT, FREEZING AND REDUCING LAW  
24 ENFORCEMENT'S BUDGET, REJECTING NEW FUNDING FOR THE DISTRICT  
25 ATTORNEY, AND REINVESTING THOSE DOLLARS INTO COMMUNITY-BASED



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1 CARE. IT ALSO MEANS FUNDING PUBLIC DEFENDERS SO PEOPLE AREN'T  
2 TRAPPED IN JAIL AS MANDATED BY FEDERAL LAW. THIS IS LIFE AND  
3 DEATH. DO NOT DIG US DEEPER INTO THIS CRISIS. PLEASE CHOOSE  
4 CARE. THANK YOU.

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213634,  
7 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER  
8 WITH PHONE NUMBER 213. GO AHEAD.

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10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CALLER. CALLER, I DON'T THINK HE'S  
11 TALKING TO US. NEXT CALLER, PLEASE.

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13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE  
14 SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR THIS  
15 ITEM IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO BACK TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.  
16 PLEASE BEGIN.

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18 **JOCELYN RODRIGUEZ:** MY NAME IS JOCELYN AND I'M A CASE MANAGER  
19 AT CENTRO CHA FOR THE WORKFORCE REENTRY PROGRAM. WE WORK WITH  
20 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE JUST AS IMPACTED, WHO ARE WORKING HARD TO  
21 REBUILD THEIR LIVES, SUPPORT THEIR FAMILIES, AND CONTRIBUTE  
22 POSITIVELY TO OUR COMMUNITIES. I CALL ON THE BOARD OF  
23 SUPERVISORS TO INVEST MORE IN FIRST, AND CARE FOR STRATEGIES.  
24 THIS INCLUDES COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION, YOUTH  
25 DEVELOPMENT, HOUSING, DIVERSION, AND REENTRY SERVICES. THE



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1 COUNTY MUST STEP UP TO SUSTAIN AND EXPAND THE LIFE-SAVING WORK  
2 OF CVI. THESE PROGRAMS HAVE FACED SIGNIFICANT FEDERAL FUNDING  
3 CUTS ALONG WITH SHORTFALLS AT THE CITY AND STATE LEVEL.  
4 WITHOUT LOCAL INVESTMENTS, CRITICAL SERVICES THAT PREVENT  
5 VIOLENCE AND SUPPORT HEALING ARE AT RISK. INVESTING IN CVI  
6 MEANS INVESTING IN SAFER COMMUNITIES, STRONGER FAMILIES, AND A  
7 MORE JUST SYSTEM FOR EVERYONE. THANK YOU.

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9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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11 **BLANCA RIVERA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS BLANCA. I  
12 AM-

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SPEAKING. YEAH, THERE YOU GO.

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16 **BLANCA RIVERA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS BLANCA  
17 AND I AM A CASE MANAGER FOR OUR REENTRY AND WORKFORCE  
18 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AT CENTRO CHA. I CALL ON THE BOARD OF  
19 SUPERVISORS TO INVEST IN MORE CAREFUL STRATEGIES SUCH AS  
20 COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAMS, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT,  
21 DIVERSION AND REENTRY AND HOUSING. THESE ARE THE STRATEGIES  
22 THAT BUILD TRUE AND LASTING SAFE COMMUNITIES. WORKING AT  
23 CENTRO CHA, I HAVE WITNESSED THE LASTING IMPACT THAT THESE  
24 REENTRY AND WORKFORCE AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS HAVE ON  
25 JUSTICE-IMPACTED INDIVIDUALS. THEY WERE PROVIDED A SECOND



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1 CHANCE TO MAKE BETTER CHOICES AND TAKE A DIFFERENT PATH.  
2 PLEASE COMMIT TO CAREFIRST AND REAL ACTION BY INVESTING IN  
3 CAREFIRST STRATEGIES THAT TRULY KEEP US SAFE. THANK YOU.

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5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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7 **NICOLE BROWN:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS NICOLE BROWN WITH THE  
8 URBAN PEACE INSTITUTE, WORKING IN SD1, RESIDENT OF SD3. I'M  
9 HERE TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE BACK YOUR WORDS WITH TANGIBLE  
10 ACTIONS AND INVEST IN CAREFIRST, RATHER THAN CONTINUING TO  
11 SINK BILLIONS OF DOLLARS INTO INCARCERATION. DEPARTMENTS LIKE  
12 THE SHERIFF AND PROBATION ARE DRAINING OUR BUDGET WITH LEGAL  
13 LIABILITIES WHILE WE CONTINUE TO FACE A HOUSING CRISIS AND  
14 CLOSED DOWN SEVEN CLINICS LAST YEAR. THE COUNTY MUST ALSO  
15 INCREASE FUNDING TO COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION. IN A  
16 BUDGET OF NEARLY \$49,000,000,000, YOU ONLY VEST ABOUT  
17 \$7,000,000 INTO THE TRAUMA PREVENTION INITIATIVE. MEANWHILE,  
18 THE CITY WHOSE BUDGET IS 1/3 OF THE COUNTIES INVESTS ALMOST  
19 \$40,000,000 A YEAR IN GRID. THE D.A. ASKED FOR PROSECUTORS TO  
20 PROSECUTE GANG HOMICIDES. CVI CAN STOP THOSE HOMICIDES FROM  
21 HAPPENING IN THE FIRST PLACE, AND THAT'S WHERE WE NEED TO BE  
22 INVESTING OUR MONEY. LAST APRIL, THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION  
23 SLASHED \$9,000,000 IN GRANTS GOING TO CDI ORGANIZATIONS IN  
24 L.A. COUNTY. WE NEED TO FILL THAT GAP, THANK YOU.



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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3 **JASMINE DESENCLOS:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JASMINE DESENCLOS AND I'M  
4 HERE REPRESENTING THE LOS ANGELES VIOLENCE INTERVENTION  
5 COALITION. AS A FORMER STAFF FOR THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF PUBLIC  
6 SAFETY AND ALSO FORMER SAFETY DEPUTY FOR CURRENT COUNCIL  
7 PRESIDENT FOR THE CITY OF L.A. I KNOW THAT COMMUNITY VIOLENCE  
8 INTERVENTION WORKS. I'VE SEEN IT FIRSTHAND AND I'VE ALSO SEEN  
9 CRIME DATA DROP AND I HAVE TO SAY THAT IT IS EMBARRASSING AND  
10 SOMEWHAT EVEN, NOT EVEN SOMEWHAT, IT IS DISRESPECTFUL TO KNOW  
11 THAT THE COUNTY ONLY INVESTS \$7,000,000 IN THE TRAUMA  
12 PREVENTION INITIATIVE, WHICH IS THE VERSION, SOMEWHAT VERSION  
13 OF THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF GANG REDUCTION AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT.  
14 WE NEED TO INVEST IN COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION. WE NEED  
15 TO INVEST IN COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION WORKERS. THEY  
16 WORK AS FIRST RESPONDERS, BUT DO NOT GET THE SALARY OF FIRST  
17 RESPONDERS OR THE BENEFITS OF FIRST RESPONDERS. THESE FOLKS  
18 DEPLOY, THEY HAVE A 24-HOUR, I MEAN 24/7 HOUR SCHEDULE  
19 DEPLOYED TO HOMICIDES AND JUST DO GO ABOVE AND BEYOND, AND DO  
20 NOT GET THE SALARIES AND BENEFITS THAT THEY DESERVE.

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22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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24 **TASNEEM CHOWDHURY:** GOOD MORNING, COUNTY SUPERVISORS. MY NAME  
25 IS TASNEEM CHOWDHURY, AND I AM A CAMPAIGNS AND POLICY



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1 SPECIALIST FOR THE LOS ANGELES BLACK WORKERS CENTER. WHEREVER  
2 THE COUNTY DECIDES TO SPEND ITS DOLLAR ULTIMATELY REFLECTS ITS  
3 CORE VALUES AND RIGHT NOW BLACK COMMUNITIES ARE NOT A  
4 PRIORITY. WE ARE CALLING ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO INVEST IN A  
5 FUTURE THAT ACTUALLY MOVES BLACK WORKERS AND CONSEQUENTLY  
6 EVERY OTHER COMMUNITY FORWARD. THAT MEANS ALIGNING WITH A  
7 CAREFIRST VISION, FREEZING AND REDUCING LAW ENFORCEMENT BUDGET  
8 INSTEAD OF FUNDING WHAT WE KNOW KEEPS PEOPLE SAFE, STABLE  
9 CAREERS, HOUSING, AND ACCESSIBLE CARE. IF BLACK COMMUNITIES  
10 HAVE BEEN ABLE TO CULTIVATE SUCCESS WITHOUT REAL INVESTMENT  
11 INTO THE COMMUNITY, IMAGINE WHAT COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED WHEN  
12 GIVEN STABLE HOUSING, ACCESS TO SERVICES, AND EQUITABLE  
13 ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY THAT IS DESERVED. TO BE CLEAR, IMPACTED  
14 COMMUNITIES MUST BE CENTERED IN EVERY BUDGET DECISION BEFORE  
15 ANY DECISIONS ARE EVER MADE NOT AS AN AFTERTHOUGHT WE DON'T  
16 NEED TO EXPAND JAIL SYSTEMS. WE DON'T NEED MORE LAW  
17 ENFORCEMENT WE NEED AN OPPORTUNITY TO INVEST IN WHAT WE ARE --

18  
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

20  
21 **MICHELLE OTTLEY:** HI, GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MICHELLE OTTLEY.  
22 I'M A PROUD MEMBER OF THE CEASEFIRE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. THE  
23 REDUCTION IN VIOLENCE WE ARE SEEING ACROSS THE COUNTRY AND THE  
24 CITY IS NOT BY CHANCE. IT IS A RESULT OF COMMUNITY  
25 ORGANIZATIONS, INTERVENTION WORKERS BUILDING ORGANIZATIONS,



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1 INTERVENTION WORKERS BUILDING TRUST, INTERRUPTING CONFLICTS,  
2 AND CREATING REAL, I'M SORRY. TODAY WE ARE SEEING SOME OF THE  
3 LOWEST VIOLENCE RATE IN HALF A CENTURY. FOR ME, THIS IS  
4 PERSONAL. AFTER THE MURDER OF MY SON, COREY OTT LEY, I DECIDED  
5 TO JOIN AND STAND WITH OTHER MOTHERS AND THE MOVEMENT TO  
6 BECOME A PART OF A CHANGE SO THAT OTHER MOTHERS WILL NOT FEEL  
7 THE PAIN THAT I'M CARRYING EACH AND EVERY DAY. THANK YOU.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **YARITZA GONZALEZ:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS YARITZA GONZALEZ  
12 AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF CARES, THE CENTRAL AMERICAN RESOURCE  
13 CENTER AND ALSO IMMIGRANTS RLA COALITION. IMMIGRANT FAMILIES  
14 ACROSS L.A. COUNTY ARE UNDER PRESSURE FROM ALL SIDES, AND THE  
15 FEAR FROM FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IS MAKING IT HARDER  
16 TO PAY RENT. FAMILIES ARE TRYING TO SURVIVE ON ONE INCOME OR  
17 NONE AT ALL. PARENTS ARE FORCED TO CHOOSE BETWEEN KEEPING  
18 THEIR FAMILY SAFE AND KEEPING A ROOF OVER THEIR HEADS. WE  
19 RECOGNIZE THE STEPS THE BOARD HAS TAKEN, BUT WE NEED MORE. WE  
20 NEED TO EXPAND THE EVICTABLE RENT DEBT THRESHOLD COUNTYWIDE,  
21 PASS A RENT INCREASE FREEZE, AND ESTABLISH A PERMANENT RENT  
22 RELIEF PROGRAM. WE ALSO ASK THAT YOU CONTINUE TO FUND LEGAL  
23 SERVICES THROUGH REPRESENT L.A. FINALLY, THE COUNTY HAS  
24 COMMITTED TO A CAREFIRST, JAIL'S LAST VISION. THAT COMMITMENT  
25 NEEDS TO SHOW UP IN THE BUDGET. WE NEED TO INVEST DOLLARS IN



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1 HOUSING, PREVENTION, AND COMMUNITY CARE. THANK YOU.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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5 **DIANA ESCAMILLA:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS DIANA ESCAMILLA AND  
6 I'M A RESIDENT OF L.A. COUNTY. I'M HERE WITH THE CENTRAL  
7 AMERICAN RESOURCE CENTER AND IN COALITION WITH IMMIGRANTS ARE  
8 L.A. THANK YOU FOR RECOGNIZING THAT RAISING THE EVICTABLE RENT  
9 DEBT THRESHOLD IS NEEDED TO KEEP VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES  
10 HOUSED. BUT MORE, NOW MORE THAN EVER, WE NEED THAT KIND OF  
11 COMMITMENT COUNTYWIDE. WEEK AFTER WEEK, WE LEARN ABOUT NEW  
12 FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IN THE COUNTY AND IMMIGRANT  
13 FAMILIES ARE FALLING BEHIND ON RENT BECAUSE BREADWINNERS ARE  
14 BEING DETAINED. WE ALSO KNOW THAT RAIDS HAVE HAD A NEGATIVE  
15 IMPACT ON BUSINESSES, WITH SOME HAVING TO LAY PEOPLE OFF OR  
16 GIVE WORKERS LESS HOURS. WE'RE CALLING ON THE BOARD OF  
17 SUPERVISORS TO EXPAND THE THRESHOLD COUNTYWIDE, PASS A RENT  
18 INCREASE FREEZE, AND ESTABLISH A PERMANENT RENT RELIEF  
19 PROGRAM. LASTLY, THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO LEGAL  
20 SERVICES, BUT WE'D LIKE TO REMIND YOU TO PLEASE CONTINUE TO  
21 FUND THE LEGAL SERVICES TO REPRESENT L.A.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

24

25 **FELICIA CARBAJAL:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS FELICIA CARBAJAL,



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1 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOCIAL IMPACT CENTER, A RESIDENT OF  
2 DISTRICT 4, AND A PROUD MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE L.A.  
3 COALITION. I STAND IN UNITY WITH OUR COALITION MEMBERS WHO ARE  
4 DEMANDING THAT THIS COUNTY FREEZE AND REDUCE LAW ENFORCEMENT  
5 SPENDING AND FULLY INVEST IN COMMUNITY-BASED CARE, HOUSING AND  
6 PREVENTION. I WANT TO REMIND YOU OF YOUR CAREFIRST COMMITMENT  
7 BECAUSE THAT WASN'T JUST A SLOGAN, IT WAS A PROMISE. A PROMISE  
8 TO INVEST IN PEOPLE, NOT PUNISHMENT. AND YET YEAR AFTER YEAR,  
9 WE SEE THE SAME PATTERN, GROWING INVESTMENTS IN SYSTEMS THAT  
10 HARM, WHILE COMMUNITY-BASED SOLUTIONS ARE LEFT UNDERFUNDED AND  
11 UNSTABLE. MEASURE J GAVE US PERMISSION TO DREAM, TO BUILD  
12 SYSTEMS ROOTED IN CARE, HEALING, INCLUSIVITY AND REAL SAFETY.  
13 BUT TODAY THOSE DREAMS ARE BEING TREATED AS OPTIONAL AND I  
14 REFUSE TO ACCEPT THAT. WE ARE NOT DONE DREAMING. IF WE ARE  
15 SERIOUS ABOUT CAREFIRST, THEN WE MUST FULLY FUND IT LIKE WE  
16 MEAN IT --

17  
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19  
20 **IVETTE ALE-FERLITO:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. IVETTE ALE-  
21 FERLITO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LA DEFENSA AND A PROUD MEMBER  
22 OF THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION. JUST A FEW FEET FROM THIS  
23 BUILDING, WE HAVE HUNDREDS OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS REPRESENTING  
24 DOZENS OF COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE DELIVERING  
25 CRITICAL LIFE-SAVING SERVICES TO OUR MOST MARGINALIZED



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1 COMMUNITY MEMBERS EVERY SINGLE DAY. AND YET, THOSE COMMUNITY-  
2 BASED ORGANIZATIONS, THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT COMMUNITY IS  
3 PROVIDING AND SAVING LIVES EVERY DAY IS BEING UNDERFUNDED YEAR  
4 AFTER YEAR. WHILE THE INSTITUTIONS IN OUR COUNTY THAT ARE  
5 COSTING TAXPAYERS THE MOST, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE  
6 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, THEY ARE CONTINUOUSLY BEING FUNDED AT  
7 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS EVERY YEAR. WHAT WE'RE ASKING, WHAT WE'RE  
8 DEMANDING FROM OUR LEADERSHIP IS ALIGNMENT WITH OUR VALUES  
9 BECAUSE I KNOW THAT ALL OF YOU ON THIS DAY HAS SUPPORTED  
10 MEASURE J, SUPPORT UNIVERSAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND UNIVERSAL  
11 HEALTH.

12  
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

14  
15 **TONYA MCLENDON:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS TONYA MCLENDON,  
16 PROUD ANGELENO, BORN AND RAISED IN SOUTH CENTRAL L.A. AND  
17 CURRENT RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 8. I AM THE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP  
18 ASSOCIATE AT L.A. FOOD POLICY COUNCIL. I AM URGING YOU TO  
19 INVEST IN IMMIGRANT FOOD JUSTICE IN LIGHT OF CONSISTENT AND  
20 TARGETED ATTACKS AND THREATS AS A RESULT OF THE FEDERAL ACTION  
21 THROUGH IMMIGRATION, ENFORCEMENT, AND SAFETY NET ELIGIBILITY  
22 REDUCTIONS. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ONE IN FOUR RESIDENTS  
23 EXPERIENCE FOOD INSECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMMUNITIES ARE  
24 AMONG THE MOST IMPACTED. MANY IMMIGRANT FAMILIES ARE ALREADY  
25 EXCLUDED FROM PROGRAMS LIKE CALFRESH DUE TO IMMIGRATION STATUS



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1 AND OTHERS ARE NOW AT A GREATER RISK AT FEDERAL CHANGES UNDER  
2 H.R.-1, WHICH TARGET AND SHIFT COSTS, REDUCE ACCESS, AND  
3 INCREASE FEAR AROUND USING BENEFITS. DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC,  
4 THE COUNTY FUNDED A GROCERY VOUCHER PROGRAM, ESPECIALLY FOR  
5 INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR OTHER  
6 PANDEMIC RELIEF DUE TO IMMIGRATION STATUS WHO BROUGHT MUCH DE-  
7 DISABILITY TO UNDOCUMENTED AND MIS-STATUS HOUSEHOLDS. THUS, I  
8 STRONGLY URGE THE COUNTY TO INVEST \$20,000,000 IN IMMIGRATION  
9 FOOD JUSTICE TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY-BASED SOLUTIONS TO FOOD  
10 INSECURITY THAT CAN REACH FAMILIES WHO CANNOT ACCESS FEDERAL  
11 PROGRAMS, INCLUDING THE 10,000 --

12  
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14  
15 **MAU TREJO:** MORNING, MY NAME IS MAU, AND I'M A PART OF THE  
16 REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION STUDENTS DESERVE AND THE LIBERATION  
17 FUND. IT IS OUTRAGEOUS THAT IT ONLY TOOK YOU GUYS 10 MINUTES  
18 TODAY TO DO A BUDGET PRESENTATION. IT IS ALSO OUTRAGEOUS THAT  
19 YOU ALL LET D.A. HOCHMAN COME IN HERE AND ASK YOU FOR MORE  
20 FUNDING WHERE HE HAS ALLOWED KILLER COPS TO ROAM FREE. KILLER  
21 COPS LIKE BRIAN PALACIOS WHO MURDERED AND KILLED KEITH PORTER  
22 JR. ON NEW YEAR'S EVE. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO REALLY CALL  
23 THE QUESTION ABOUT YOUR PRIORITIES IN THIS BUDGET AND WHERE  
24 THAT LIES TO THE PEOPLE OF L.A. COUNTY. WE ARE FACING A  
25 HOUSING CRISIS, DEEP COMMUNITY INSTABILITY, AND FAMILIES ARE



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1 LIVING IN FEAR. YOUNG PEOPLE ARE CONTINUING TO BE LIVING IN  
2 FEAR WHEN YOU ALL ARE SPENDING LITERALLY MONEY ON LITIGATION  
3 LAWSUITS OF CHILDREN BEING ABUSED IN THESE DETENTION  
4 FACILITIES. SO WE ARE CALLING FOR THESE BUDGETS TO NO LONGER  
5 FUND PROBATION, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND JAILING OUR  
6 CHILDREN, AND ACTUALLY INVEST IN WHAT WORKS AND PUT CARE  
7 FIRST. THANK YOU.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **SHANNON CAMACHO:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SHANNON CAMACHO. I'M  
12 HERE ON BEHALF OF INCLUSIVE ACTION FOR THE CITY AND THE  
13 IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. COALITION. IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. AND THE  
14 REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION ARE JOINING FORCES IN OUR ADVOCACY  
15 EFFORTS TODAY BECAUSE OUR COMMUNITIES DESERVE TO HAVE THEIR  
16 BASIC NEEDS MET AND NOT ENDURE MORE CRIMINALIZATION. WE OFTEN  
17 HEAR THAT THE COUNTY DOES NOT HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO INCREASE  
18 SOCIAL SERVICES AND RESOURCES FOR OUR COMMUNITIES, BUT THE  
19 REALITY IS THAT THE COUNTY JUST NEEDS TO READJUST ITS  
20 PRIORITIES. COUNTY FUNDS ARE INCREASINGLY GOING TO LAW  
21 ENFORCEMENT BUDGETS, WHILE IMPORTANT INVESTMENTS LIKE MORE  
22 GUARANTEED INCOME PROGRAMS, HOUSING RELIEF, COMMUNITY-BASED  
23 DIVERSION, MENTAL HEALTHCARE, AND INCREASING CAPACITY FOR  
24 OUTREACH TO IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES ARE NOWHERE NEAR AS WELL-  
25 FUNDED AS LAW ENFORCEMENT. THE COUNTY HAS COMMITTED TO A



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1 CAREFIRST, JAILS LAST VISION. THAT COMMITMENT NEEDS TO SHOW UP  
2 IN THE BUDGET. LAW ENFORCEMENT SPENDING SHOULD BE REDUCED AND  
3 THOSE DOLLARS REINVESTED IN HOUSING PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY  
4 CARE. FOR EXAMPLE, OLDER IMMIGRANTS ACROSS THIS COUNTY BUILD  
5 COMMUNITY AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE COUNTY WITHOUT ANY SIGNIFICANT  
6 BENEFITS AND WE NEED TO PROVIDE THAT FOR THEM. THANK YOU.

7  
8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

9  
10 **HADIR AZAB:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS HADIR AZA AND I'M THE  
11 POLICY COORDINATOR WITH CAIR-LA AND ALSO ONE OF THE CO-CHAIRS  
12 FOR IRLA. AND WE'RE VERY AWARE THAT IMMIGRANT FAMILIES ACROSS  
13 THIS COUNTY ARE UNDER PRESSURE FROM ALL SIDES AND WE THANK THE  
14 BOARD FOR RAISING THE EVICTABLE RENT DEBT THRESHOLD. HOWEVER,  
15 TWO MONTHS ONLY COVERS UNINCORPORATED AREAS. WE NEED COUNTY-  
16 WIDE PROTECTIONS THAT REACH ALL IMMIGRANT TENANTS. WE NEED A  
17 RENT INCREASE FREEZE AND WE NEED PROTECTIONS THAT LET FAMILIES  
18 REPAY RENT WITHOUT FACING EVICTION. AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, WE  
19 NEED A PERMANENT RENT RELIEF PROGRAM. FURTHERMORE, THE COUNTY  
20 HAS COMMITTED TO THE CAREFIRST, JAILS LAST VISION. THAT  
21 COMMITMENT NEEDS TO SHOW UP IN THE BUDGET. LAW ENFORCEMENT  
22 SPENDING SHOULD BE FROZEN AND REDUCED AND THOSE DOLLARS MUST  
23 BE REINVESTED IN HOUSING PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY CARE.  
24 HOWEVER, WE ALSO NEED TO FUND LEGAL SERVICES THROUGH RAP-LA  
25 AND MAKE IT A PERMANENT BUDGET LINE ITEM. THESE CHOICES THAT



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1 YOU MAKE RIGHT NOW WILL DECIDE WHETHER FAMILIES STAY IN THEIR  
2 COMMUNITIES THAT THEY HELP BUILD OR WHETHER THEY GET PUSHED  
3 OUT OF THEM. THANK YOU.

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5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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7 **BASHA JAMIL:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BASHA JAMIL AND I AM A  
8 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 1 AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE COUNCIL  
9 ON AMERICAN ISLAMIC RELATIONS, LA, CAIR-LA. AND WE URGE YOU TO  
10 ENSURE THAT THE L.A. COUNTY BUDGET PRIORITIZES THE VERY REAL  
11 NEEDS OF THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY. WE NEED A RENT INCREASE  
12 FREEZE. WE NEED PROTECTIONS THAT LET FAMILIES REPAY RENT  
13 WITHOUT FACING EVICTION. WE NEED THE RENT THRESHOLD RAISED  
14 COUNTYWIDE, AND WE NEED A PERMANENT RENT RELIEF PROGRAM. CAIR-  
15 LA ALSO URGES YOU TO SUPPORT REPRESENT L.A.'S BUDGET REQUEST  
16 FOR MORE FUNDING FOR IMMIGRATION LEGAL SERVICES AT THIS TIME  
17 WHEN OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IS UNDER AN INCREASING THREAT.  
18 CAIR-LA ALSO URGES THE BOARD TO FULLY FUND CAREFIRST COMMUNITY  
19 INVESTMENTS BY REDUCING FUNDING FOR INCARCERATION AND LAW  
20 ENFORCEMENT AND INSTEAD INVESTING IN HOUSING, HEALTHCARE AND  
21 COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES. THE CRISES THAT OUR COMMUNITIES FACE  
22 ARE --

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24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1 **OLIVIA SHIELDS:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD. OLIVIA SHIELDS WITH THE  
2 URBAN PEACE INSTITUTE AND L.A.'S UPRISING COALITION. MY  
3 COLLEAGUES, PARTNERS, FELLOW ADVOCATES, AND ORGANIZERS HAVE  
4 COME TO THE BOARD YEAR AFTER YEAR WITH LARGELY THE SAME  
5 MESSAGE. INVEST IN CAREFIRST. INVEST IN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT,  
6 ESPECIALLY RESOURCING THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT WITH  
7 WHAT THEY NEED TO BUILD OUT A CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR SYSTEM  
8 INVOLVED IN INCARCERATED YOUTH. INVEST IN DIVERSION. INVEST IN  
9 INTERVENTION, WHICH HAS PROVEN TO BE THE MOST EFFECTIVE IN  
10 REDUCING HARM IN OUR COMMUNITIES, INVEST IN MENTAL HEALTH AND  
11 HOUSING. YET YEAR AFTER YEAR, WE SEE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS BEING  
12 POURED INTO UPHOLDING LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CARCERAL SYSTEMS AND  
13 BILLIONS TO CLEAN UP THEIR MESSSES. WE SEE MORE INCARCERATION  
14 FROM PROP 36 AND THE D.A. STILL HAS THE NERVE TO ASK FOR  
15 FUNDING TO PROSECUTE PEOPLE WHILE THE APD AND PD BUDGETS ARE A  
16 FRACTION OF THEIRS. I HOPE YOU ALL FEEL THE URGENCY BECAUSE AS  
17 SOMEONE WHO WORKS CLOSELY WITH FOLKS ON THE GROUND AND YOUTH  
18 INSIDE THIS COUNTY'S CAMPS AND HALL, I FEEL IT DAILY, THANK  
19 YOU.

20  
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
22 BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

23  
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ARE THERE ANY OTHER CALLERS IN THE  
25 QUEUE? NO?



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2 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NO, THAT'S IT.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. BEFORE WE CLOSE, I WANTED TO  
5 ASK OUR CEO, I KNOW THE PRESENTATION BY JOE, HE WENT OVER HOW  
6 WE WOULD BE ABLE TO USE AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR PROGRAMS. AND HE  
7 MENTIONED \$20,000,000 FOR CALFRESH. IS THAT CORRECT? AND I  
8 WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE DELTA IS WITH WHAT WE HEARD FROM SOME OF  
9 THE FOLKS HERE IN THE AUDIENCE. WHAT WOULD THAT MEAN?

10

11 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN, OR GOOD MORNING.  
12 YES, WHAT I MENTIONED IN THE OPENING REMARKS WAS AN INVESTMENT  
13 OF \$40,000,000 FOR CALFRESH ADMINISTRATION THAT PRESERVES  
14 \$194,000,000 IN FEDERAL REVENUE AND 1,000 DPSS JOBS SO THAT IS  
15 AGAIN THAT IS BEING DRIVEN BY A CHANGE IN HOW THE FEDERAL  
16 GOVERNMENT IS CONTRIBUTING TO THE COST SHARE FOR CALFRESH  
17 PROGRAMS WITHOUT THAT INVESTMENT. WE WOULD LOSE \$194,000,000  
18 IN REVENUE IN 1,000 JOBS SO THAT IS THE INVESTMENT IN CALFRESH  
19 THE \$20,000,000 I REFERENCE. THAT'S THE DELTA BETWEEN THE  
20 \$63,200,000 IN REVENUE THAT WE HAVE AFTER ALL OF OUR MANDATORY  
21 COSTS ARE COVERED. THAT WE HAVE FOR LOCAL PRIORITIES. AND SO  
22 THE WAY WE'VE RECOMMENDED TO ALLOCATE THAT ROUGHLY \$20,000,000  
23 IS \$10,000,000 FOR THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT IN  
24 RESPONSE TO THE BOARD'S MOTIONS AFTER THE AFTER-ACTION REPORTS  
25 SIGNALLED THE NEED TO EXPAND THAT OFFICE. AND THEN AN



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1 ADDITIONAL \$12,000,000 SET ASIDE FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER AND THE  
2 ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER PENDING THE CONCLUSION OF A STAFFING  
3 STUDY THAT HAS BEEN UNDERWAY AND IS SET TO CONCLUDE SHORTLY.

4  
5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO WOULD WE BE ABLE TO SQUEEZE OUT  
6 ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO HELP PROVIDE WHAT WAS BROUGHT UP TO  
7 US REGARDING OF. THE FOOD COUNCIL'S PRESENTATION IN L.A.  
8 REGIONAL BECAUSE I THINK I THINK THIS BOARD I'M NOT SPEAKING  
9 FOR EVERYONE BUT I THINK THAT THAT HAS BEEN ONE OF OUR  
10 PRIORITIES THAT WE DID STATE IN OUR PREVIOUS BUDGET  
11 PRESENTATIONS. THAT WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE TO MEET OUR  
12 OBLIGATIONS SO THAT WE CAN DRAW DOWN MONEY, BUT WE KNOW THAT  
13 THERE'S AN IMPENDING CRISIS HAPPENING RIGHT NOW. AND I WOULD  
14 HOPE THAT OUR CEO AND OUR STAFFS WILL LOOK AT THAT SERIOUSLY.

15  
16 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT SQUEEZING OUT  
17 \$20,000,000? IS THAT THE NUMBER WE'RE LOOKING AT?

18  
19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I WOULD HOPE. THAT'S THE DELTA,  
20 RIGHT?

21  
22 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** SO SUPERVISOR, I CAN RESPOND TO THAT AS  
23 WELL. YOU KNOW, THE TESTIMONY TO THE STATE BLACK A FEW  
24 PROGRAMS, THE MARKET MATCH AND A COUPLE OTHERS, MY  
25 UNDERSTANDING IS ARE GENERALLY STATE FUNDED AND THAT THE



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1 GOVERNOR'S BUDGET DOES NOT INCLUDE FUNDING TO CONTINUE THOSE  
2 PROGRAMS. I COULD BE A LITTLE BIT OFF ON THAT. WE DON'T HAVE  
3 BUDGET REQUESTS IN THE MANY DEPARTMENT FOR MANY OF THESE  
4 PROGRAMS, PERHAPS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE ELDER NUTRITION  
5 PROGRAM. SO REALLY HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO STUDY WHAT THOSE  
6 ASKS ARE, WHAT THE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS ARE. I WOULD SAY TO  
7 THE EXTENT THAT THIS IS FUNDED WITH STATE REVENUE AND STATE  
8 REVENUES GOING AWAY. IT'S VERY DIFFICULT FOR US TO PICK UP  
9 THAT COST LOCALLY. THAT'S HAPPENING ACROSS THE BOARD ON A  
10 NUMBER OF MAJOR INITIATIVES, PUTTING A LOT OF PRESSURE ON THE  
11 LOCALS AND LOCALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS TO CONTINUE. BUT I'D LIKE  
12 THE OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK INTO THAT AND SEE EXACTLY WHAT IS  
13 BEING REQUESTED, WHAT THE ORIGINAL FUNDING SOURCES ARE FOR  
14 THAT, AND I KNOW THAT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, WE  
15 DID SUPPLEMENT THAT FUNDING.

16  
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. THAT'S GONE AWAY NOW.

18  
19 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** IT'S GONE AWAY. YEAH.

20  
21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

22  
23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, MADAM CHAIR, I WAS THINKING, LIKE THE  
24 MARKET MATCH SOUNDED, I FEEL LIKE THEY SAID FOR EVERY DOLLAR  
25 WE INVEST, IT WAS LIKE \$3 BACK INTO THE LOCAL ECONOMY. SO THAT



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1 WAS, SEEMS LIKE A PROGRAM

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SOUNDS LUCRATIVE. YEAH.

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5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WE SHOULD AT LEAST LOOK INTO. AND MAYBE  
6 THAT'S SOME ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DOLLARS OR SOMETHING, BUT  
7 THAT ONE SEEMED TO BE A GOOD RETURN ON OUR INVESTMENT.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I THINK WE CAN LOOK AT, I KNOW  
10 THAT DEO HAS DIFFERENT GRANT PROGRAMS FOR PEOPLE IMPACTED IN  
11 DIFFERENT WAYS. SEEMS TO ME WE'RE ALMOST LOOKING AT THE SAME  
12 POPULATION, SO MAYBE THERE'S A WAY OF LOOKING AT HOW WE CAN  
13 THREAD THAT NEEDLE, I GUESS, IS WHAT I'M LOOKING FOR. OKAY,  
14 THANK YOU. OH, YES, SUPERVISOR HORVATH. I'M SORRY.

15

16 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I JUST WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE, I WANT  
17 TO THANK AGAIN EVERYONE WHO CAME TO SPEAK TODAY AND I WANTED  
18 TO ASK SPECIFICALLY, THERE WERE MULTIPLE MENTIONS OF THE  
19 VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAMS, PARTICULARLY THE COROLLARY  
20 FUNDING THAT'S HAPPENING ON THE CITY SIDE. AND I WANTED TO  
21 UNDERSTAND IF THOSE PROGRAMS ARE IN ANY WAY BEING FUNDED BY  
22 CFCI OR IF THERE HAVE BEEN APPLICATIONS FOR CFCI FUNDING TO  
23 SUPPORT THOSE PROGRAMS BECAUSE THERE'S CERTAINLY MORE THAN  
24 \$7,000,000 THERE. AND SO I JUST WONDER IF THAT'S PART OF THE  
25 CONVERSATION PRESENTLY OR IF IT'S NOT, IF WE HAVE ANY IDEA OF



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1 WHY NOT BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY THOSE PROGRAMS ARE VERY IMPORTANT  
2 AND THAT IS AN AVAILABLE RESOURCE.

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4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THAT'S A REALLY GOOD POINT BECAUSE I THINK  
5 THE ONE GROUP THAT OPERATES IN LONG BEACH I THINK THEY HAVE  
6 MONEY THROUGH JCOD. SO I AGREE I THINK I THINK JCOD ALSO HAS  
7 AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROP YOU KNOW REALLY FUND SOME OF THESE  
8 ORGANIZATIONS.

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10 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** YEAH.

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12 **JERAMY GRAY:** YEAH, THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, SUPERVISOR.  
13 ALLOW US TO GO BACK AND RESEARCH THAT AND COME BACK TO YOUR  
14 BOARD WITH MORE DETAILS TO UNWIND WHERE THAT MONEY IS AND WHAT  
15 THE ALLOCATIONS LOOK LIKE SO THAT WE GET CLARITY ON THAT.

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** SO I KNOW THE CFCI COMMITTEE IS THE  
18 BODY THAT REVIEWS AND RECOMMENDS THOSE ALLOCATIONS. BUT GIVEN  
19 WHAT WE'VE HEARD TODAY, PERHAPS WE CAN ADVISE THEM THAT WE'VE  
20 HEARD THIS AT THE BOARD LEVEL, AND WE WANT THEM TO PRIORITIZE  
21 A CERTAIN ALLOCATION OF FUNDING SPECIFICALLY FOR THOSE KINDS  
22 OF PROGRAMS GIVEN THE NEED THAT WAS DEMONSTRATED HERE. AND  
23 THAT WAY THEY CAN EVALUATE THOSE PROGRAMS AND MAKE  
24 RECOMMENDATIONS ACCORDINGLY.

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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. I MEAN, IT'S A NO-BRAINER. WE KNOW  
2 THAT. AND SO MANY SPOKE UP TODAY ABOUT PREVENTION, RIGHT?  
3 PREVENTION. WE REALLY, AND THIS BOARD HAS MADE THAT  
4 COMMITMENT. WE WANT TO LEAN INTO PREVENTING FOLKS FROM  
5 BECOMING A PART OF OUR JUSTICE SYSTEM. I MEAN, WE DON'T WANT  
6 THEM IN OUR JUVENILE HALLS. WE CERTAINLY DON'T WANT THEM IN  
7 OUR JAILS, AND PREVENTION SEEMS TO BE THE KNOWN COMMODITY THAT  
8 WORKS. AND SO THE MORE WE CAN LEAN INTO THAT IN OUR  
9 COMMUNITIES, IT'S GOING TO PAY OFF.

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11 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND I KNOW THAT WE'VE ALSO BEEN  
12 DIRECTING THAT THE POTS OF FUNDING AND PROBATION THAT HAVE  
13 BEEN UNSPENT GO TO, YOU KNOW, MORE OF THIS WORK AS WELL. SO  
14 I'M NOT SAYING CFCI IS THE ONLY POT OF MONEY, IT JUST, YOU  
15 KNOW, I KNOW THAT THAT'S ONE PROCESS THAT'S AVAILABLE. I  
16 WONDERED IF THEY HAD ENGAGED AND NOT BEEN FUNDED, OR IF THAT  
17 WAS ALREADY HAPPENING, OR IF THEY'RE APPLYING FOR FUNDING  
18 ELSEWHERE. I JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. I TRULY HEAR THAT  
19 CONCERN.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND WE DO HAVE, THROUGH OUR  
22 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, OUR VIOLENCE, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE  
23 AN OFFICE THAT DEALS WITH THIS UNDER BARBARA FERRER AND I KNOW  
24 SHE'S GONE THROUGH SOME CUTS. SO WE MAY LOOK TO SEE WHERE THAT  
25 IS NOW, THE OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION, BECAUSE THEY DO A



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1 LOT OF GOOD WORK AND THEY WORK ALSO PROVIDING, I THINK, GRANTS  
2 TO CBOS AS WELL. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE STATUS IS, BUT I KNOW  
3 THAT THERE ARE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS THAT PROVIDE THAT TOUCH  
4 THIS TOPIC. SO WE NEED TO GET THAT TOGETHER, BECAUSE I DON'T  
5 BELIEVE THAT WE ARE NOT FUNDING, THAT WE ARE FUNDING LESS THAN  
6 7, WHAT IS IT? \$7,000,000 OR WHATEVER THAT WAS ANNOUNCED. WE  
7 NEED TO CORRECT THE RECORD. SO THANK YOU. OKAY. EXECUTIVE  
8 OFFICE.

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10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** CAN WE EXPECT FROM JOE AND THE TEAM, CAN WE  
11 EXPECT TO A LITTLE MORE LOOKING INTO SOME OF THESE THINGS THAT  
12 MAYBE WE HADN'T FOCUSED ON BEFORE, BEFORE FINAL CHANGES SO WE  
13 CAN GET A SENSE.

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15 **JERAMY GRAY:** SUPERVISOR THE CONCERNS RAISED TODAY. WE WILL  
16 ENSURE THAT WE GET BACK TO YOUR BOARD WITH MORE DETAIL BEFORE  
17 YOU WEIGH IN ON IT.

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19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** PERFECT, THANK YOU.

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21 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** AND I HAD SUPERVISOR THE, YOU KNOW WE DO  
22 HAVE AN ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITY, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO  
23 ONE-TIME INVESTMENTS AND ONE-TIME FUNDING, TO LOOK AT THIS  
24 STUFF AND SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES. WE'RE WELL ALONG IN OUR FINAL  
25 CHANGES PROCESS. SOME OF THESE THINGS DON'T HAVE BUDGET



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1 REQUESTS THAT ARE PENDING MIGHT BE DIFFICULT TO TURN THAT  
2 AROUND QUICKLY, BUT THAT'S OKAY BECAUSE WE HAVE A THREE-PHASE  
3 BUDGET PROCESS AND CAN CERTAINLY ROLL SOME OF THESE THINGS  
4 INTO SUPPLEMENTAL. WHAT WE WANT TO DO IS WORK WITH PRIMARILY  
5 THAT SOUNDS LIKE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ON BOTH THE  
6 FOOD PROGRAMMING AND THE VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAMMING.  
7 PUBLIC HEALTH HAS A NUMBER OF PRIORITIES THAT THEY ARE  
8 ADVANCING IN THEIR BUDGET REQUEST. WE WANT TO TALK TO THEM AND  
9 MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN BALANCE WHAT THEIR NEEDS ARE WITH THE  
10 ADDITIONAL REQUESTS THAT WE HEARD TODAY. I THINK THAT'S  
11 IMPORTANT THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS IN ON THE  
12 CONVERSATION. SO WE CAN DEFINITELY REPORT BACK IN FINAL  
13 CHANGES AS MR. GRAY MENTIONED IN TERMS OF THE STATUS OF SOME  
14 OF THE PROGRAMS WE'VE ALREADY FUNDED. I THINK IT PROBABLY  
15 REQUIRES ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION WITH THE  
16 DEPARTMENT TO BE READY FOR FUNDING RECOMMENDATION LIKELY AND  
17 IN SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY WITH I MOVED THAT THE  
20 BOARD RECEIVING FILE AND TAKE UNDER ADVISEMENT VARIOUS  
21 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUESTS AND COMMENTS MADE DURING THE  
22 PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS COMMENCING MAY 6, 2026 AND MAKE A  
23 FINDING THAT A NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS WAS GIVEN IN  
24 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 29080 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE THAT SAID  
25 HEARINGS COMMENCED ON THE 6TH DAY OF MAY PURSUANT TO SAID



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1 NOTICE AND AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 29081 OF THE GOVERNMENT  
2 CODE. AND I ALSO MOVE THAT THE BOARD CLOSE THE PUBLIC BUDGET  
3 HEARINGS FOR PURPOSES OF ORAL TESTIMONY, FINDINGS THAT THE  
4 PUBLIC HAS BEEN GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAR AND BE HEARD,  
5 INCLUDING ALLOWING ADDITIONAL WRITTEN TESTIMONY REQUESTS TO BE  
6 FILED THROUGH THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS FRIDAY MAY 15, 2026. I  
7 FURTHER MOVE THAT THE BOARD RECONFIRMS THAT BUDGET  
8 DELIBERATIONS WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2026, AT 9:30  
9 A.M. I SO MOVE TO APPROVE SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH.  
10 EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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12 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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14 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AYE.

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16 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE.  
17 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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21 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE.  
22 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

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1    **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION

2    PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

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4    **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING. THE

5    NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY

6    12, 2026, AT 9:30 A.M. WE ARE ADJOURNED.

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15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this  
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